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Ex-Rep. DiMassa's wife pleads guilty

Admits conspiring with him to steal about $150K in COVID-19 relief funding from West Haven

By Edmund H. Mahony
Hartford Courant

Former State Rep. Michael DiMassa's wife admitted in federal court Tuesday that she conspired with him to steal about $150,000 of the city of West Haven's share of federal COVID-19 relief money by collecting payments for services she never provided to a municipal youth violence prevention program.

Lauren DiMassa, who was known as Lauren Knox before her marriage, pleaded guilty to participating in a conspiracy to commit fraud. Her lawyer said in court that she handed almost all the money she is accused of collecting in the conspiracy, $147,776.10, to her husband, which is the same thing a third conspirator in the COVID scheme, John Bernardo, claimed when he pleaded guilty a month ago.

"She turned over the vast bulk of the proceeds to her husband for his purposes, which weren't necessarily marital purposes, and I think that is important for the court to know," attorney Francis O'Reilly said.

DiMassa, who also was a municipal employee of West Haven with authority to approve spending, is accused of stealing more than a $1 million in money distributed by the federal and state governments to cities and towns to defray unanticipated costs associated with the pandemic. Federal prosecutors have said in court filings that DiMassa blew tens of thousands of dollars of the stolen money gambling at the Mohegan Sun casino.

DiMassa, who is charged with a half dozen fraud and conspiracy charges, has not pleaded guilty and the case against him is pending.

Lauren DiMassa, who faces from 12 to 18 months in prison under the sentencing guidelines followed in federal court, told U.S. District Judge Omar Williams that she changed her name from Knox to DiMassa in March, to reflect her marriage, and that she and DiMassa had a child in May. She

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Richard Palacio gives his 4-year-old daughter Eliana a kiss at the beach on Tuesday. They were joined by family, friends and medical staff for a beach visit that was made possible through the Make-A-Wish Foundation. **DOUGLAS HOOK/HARTFORD COURANT**

MAKING WAVES WITH A SMILE

Terminally ill girl gets day at beach with help of Yale New Haven, legion of others

By Pam McLoughlin | Hartford Courant

With the effort of many, a terminally ill 4-year-old who loves the beach was briefly moved out of the pediatric intensive care unit at Yale New Haven Hospital on Tuesday so she could listen to the waves at Lighthouse Point Park in New Haven.

It was a wish conveyed by her mother, Christine Dole of Mystic.

"We chose to bring her to the beach because it has always been her calm, her favorite place to sit on the edge of the ocean and watch the waves," Dole said.

Eliana Palacio was transported by ambulance, with a back-up ambulance — just in case — and accompanied by three doctors, several on-duty nurses and medical transport team.

She was brought to the shore via stretcher, a heart monitor and ventilator attached, as she can't breathe on her own.

Decorative balloons were rooted in the sand, as she was greeted by dozens of family members, close friends and off duty hospital staff who have fallen in love with the little girl known for her flashy personalized sunglasses.

It seemed they moved mountains, but the reward was huge when Eliana smiled.

"It's a beautiful day. It's wonderful. It could not have gone any better," Dole said.

Grandmother Karen Dole said she hadn't seen Eliana smile in two weeks — until Tuesday's two-hour visit to the shore.

"I can't even put into words what it was like to see her smile," Dole said. "She just listened to the waves and the ocean and had a big smile."

Eliana has been hospitalized since January because of mitochondrial depletion syndrome, an extremely rare, genetic, progressive and terminal disorder.

The mitochondria is the power house of the body, explained one of Eliana's doctors, Dr. Marie Nader, who sported

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Prisoner transfer safety in spotlight

New Haven enacts reforms after man was injured in crash

By Taylor Hartz
Hartford Courant

The New Haven Police Department recently announced a sweeping set of reforms meant to improve the health and safety of prisoners in transport, including seatbelt requirements and stricter procedures for quick medical care in the event of a crash or injury.

The changes came just one day into the department's new leadership under Chief Karl Jacobson and went into effect immediately. They also were implemented just weeks after an incident in New Haven that drew national attention — and criticism — when a 36-year-old Black man was paralyzed after being injured in a crash while in police custody.

Richard "Randy" Cox was handcuffed and in the back of a police transport van when the officer driving the vehicle slammed on the brakes to avoid a crash. Cox, handcuffed but without a seatbelt or any safety restraint, flew toward the wall of the van and hit his head, according to video of the incident. He was taken to a detention facility, processed and put in a cell before receiving medical treatment.

The reforms include requiring officers to transport prisoners in marked cruisers unless a van is physically necessary, to provide or securely fasten seatbelts during transport and to call for an ambulance if there is a crash, illness, injury or mental health crisis. These are guidelines many — but not all — police departments in the state already follow, the Hartford Courant has learned.

Lt. Aaron Boisvert of the Hartford Police Department said that transport vans aren't often used.

"We only break them out on rare occasions, mostly they're used for traffic control or special events, but there are rare times that we have to transport people in them," Boisvert said of the department's vans.

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JAN. 6 COMMITTEE

Panel traces extremists' route

Rep. Cheney says that Trump attempted to contact witness

By Lisa Mascaro and Farnoush Amiri
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Abruptly raising the question of witness tampering, the Jan. 6 committee revealed Tuesday that Donald Trump had attempted to contact a person who was talking to the panel about its investigation of the former president and the 2021 attack on the U.S. Capitol.

"We will take any effort to influence witness testimony very seriously," said Rep. Liz Cheney, R-Wyo. She said the committee had notified the Justice Department.

The person Trump tried to contact declined to answer or respond to his call, Cheney said. Instead the person alerted their lawyer who contacted the committee.

The disclosure by Cheney was not the first time the panel has raised concerns about witnesses being contacted by Trump's team in ways that could reflect or at least create the appearance of inappropriate influence.

The hearing Tuesday was the seventh for the Jan. 6 committee. Over the past month, the panel has created a narrative of a defeated Trump "detached from reality," clinging to false claims of voter fraud and working feverishly to

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Stephen Ayres, fourth from left, who pleaded guilty to disorderly conduct for his role in the Capitol riot, and Jason Van Tatenhove, third from right, a former member of the Oath Keepers militia, wait to testify during the hearing on Tuesday. **SHAWN THEW/EPA**

Hartford applicants in cannabis growers equity program

A state panel on Tuesday approved Connecticut's first cannabis growers as part of the state's social equity program intended to benefit Black and other underrepresented communities. **Connecticut, Page 1**

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and DiMassa were wed in October 2021, days before he was arrested.

In his city job, DiMassa was one of two employees authorized by Mayor Nancy R. Rossi to approve invoices and issue checks for city expenses. The indictment against him accuses him of fabricating phony invoices and using them as a pretext to distribute money to his wife, Bernardo and a fourth conspirator, John Trasacco.

Federal prosecutors said the checks issued to Lauren DiMassa under the heading "Youth Violence COVID-19 Associated Expenses," included charges for "in-home counseling, cleaning supplies, special needs hourly service, WIFI assistance for low/moderate income families, counseling services, license fees, a fall youth clinic, meals, support group supplies, equipment rental, and youth clinic support group."

Lauren DiMassa is accused of cashing 16 checks, keeping a portion of the funds and depositing the rest in an account she controlled. During the period in which the fraud occurred, July 2020 to October 2021, prosecutors said she did nothing in return for the money.

In Bernardo's case, he and DiMassa — both West Haven Democrats and city employees — are accused of creating a consulting company and using it as a means to steal more that $600,000 by billing the city for nonexistent pandemic consulting services.

Bernardo is accused of personally collecting about $50,000. But before entering the guilty plea in federal court, he placed most of the blame on DiMassa, complaining that he didn't realize the extent of the theft until reading about it in the newspaper after his arrest.

"I had no idea what Mr. DiMassa was doing, how he was getting the money," Bernardo told Williams when he pleaded guilty in June. "When I heard it was between $500,000 and $800,000, I said, 'What is going on here? Where is the money?' "

"Listen, it is what it is," Bernardo said. "I want to be held responsible for my part in the crime. ... But I didn't know what ... was going on."

Also charged in the conspiracy indictment is John Trasacco, another DiMassa business associate. Tarasacco has not pleaded guilty.

Trasacco is accused of creating two dummy corporations, L&H company and JIL Sanitation Services, that he and DiMassa allegedly used to bill West Haven for still more phony COVID-related supplies and services. Among other things, federal prosecutors said the two billed the city for cleaning a school building that the indictment said "had been vacant and abandoned for years."

No date was scheduled for Lauren DiMassa's sentencing. In addition to possible time in prison, she will be ordered, with her husband, to repay the stolen money, according to her plea bargain with the government.

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reverse his election defeat.

It all culminated with the attack on the Capitol, the committee says.

Tuesday's session revealed details of an "unhinged" late-night meeting at the White House with Donald Trump's outside lawyers suggesting the military seize state voting machines in a last-ditch effort to pursue his false claims of voter fraud before the defeated president summoned a mob to the Capitol.

The committee investigating last year's attack is working to show how far-right extremists answered Trump's call to come for a big rally in Washington. As dozens of lawsuits and his claims of voter fraud fizzled, Trump met late into the night of Dec. 18 with attorneys at the White House before tweeting the rally invitation — "Be there, will be wild!" Members of the Proud Boys and Oath Keepers groups are now facing rare sedition charges over the siege.

"This tweet served as a call to action — and in some cases a call to arms." said one panel member, Rep. Stephanie Murphy, D-Fla.

The panel also showed an undated draft tweet that showed that Trump had plans well in advance to tell his supporters to march to the Capitol on Jan. 6. The tweet, which was never sent, said "Please arrive early, massive crowds expected. March to the Capitol after. Stop the Steal!"

The panel featured new video testimony from Pat Cipollone, Trump's former White House counsel, recalling the explosive meeting at the White House when Trump's outside legal team brought a draft executive order to seize states' voting machines — a "terrible idea," he said.

"That's not how we do things in the United States," Cipollone testified.

Another aide called the meeting "unhinged."

Cipollone and other White House officials scrambled to intervene in the late-night meeting Trump was having with attorneys Sidney Powell and Rudy Giuliani, retired national security aide Michael Flynn and the head of the online retail company Overstock. It erupted in shouting and screaming, another aide testified.

"Where is the evidence?" Cipollone demanded of the false claims of voter fraud.

"What they were proposing, I thought, was nuts," testified another White House official, Eric Herschmann.

But Trump was intrigued and essentially told his White House lawyers that at least Powell and outside allies were trying to do something.

"You guys are not tough enough," Giuliani in video testimony recalled the president telling the White House attorneys.

As night turned to morning, Trump tweeted the call for supporters to come to Washington on Jan. 6, when Congress would be tallying the Electoral College results.

Immediately, the extremists reacted.

The panel showed graphic and violent text messages and played videos of right-wing figures, including Alex Jones, and others laying out that Jan. 6 would be the day they fight for the president.

In vulgar and often racist language the messages beaming across the far-right forums planned for the big day that they said Trump was asking for in Washington.

It would be a "red wedding," said one, a reference to mass killing. "Bring handcuffs."

"The problem of politicians whipping up mob violence to destroy fair elections is the oldest domestic enemy of constitutional democracy," said Rep. Jamie Raskin, D-Md., in opening remarks.

At the witness table to testify in person was Jason Van Tatenhove, an ally of Oath Keepers leader Stewart Rhodes.

Another witness was Stephen Ayres, who pleaded guilty last month to disorderly and disruptive conduct in a restricted building.

Ayres has said that on Jan. 2, 2021, he posted an image stating that Trump was "calling on us to come back to Washington on January 6th for a big protest."

The committee is probing whether the extremist groups, including the Proud Boys, Oath Keepers and QAnon adherents who had rallied for Trump before, coordinated with White House allies for Jan. 6.

The Oath Keepers have denied there was any plan to storm the Capitol.

Eliana

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Eliana-style sunglasses on Tuesday's beach trip.

Eliana isn't ambulatory and doesn't talk — although she is communicative. Her mother said her condition has progressed following a case of COVID-19, but doctors don't know if the two are related.

After a brief time by the shore she was moved under a pavilion and placed in mother's arms by the medical team, with her father close by.

Loved ones streamed up to greet the motionless girl with the colorful hair decorations and hug her parents, Dole and Rich Palacio. The family lives in Mystic.

There wasn't a dry eye on the beach.

While there was great joy among the crowd that Eliana was happy, it was sharply contrasted by reminders of her dire prognosis.

"This is a gift from God, especially for Eliana's mother (her granddaughter)," Eliana's maternal great-grandmother, Adele McGuire, said of the beach trip.

McGuire said while it was "wonderful," she also said, "this isn't fair."

Dr. Nader said "there is so much love" and "serenity" in Eliana's room at the hospital that the team thinks of it as a place to escape. There's soothing music, including the sound of ocean waves, nice colors and essential oils.

"You can feel the love," Nader said, crediting the girl and her family.

"We owed it to her to give her a trip to the beach, which is her serenity," Nader said.

Another on "Team Eliana," Dr. Sofia Athanasopoulou, bought Eliana-style sunglasses for Dole to personalize and hand out.

"It's one of the greatest privileges and honors to take care of her. We love her so much," Athanasopoulou said of the girl.

The trip to Lighthouse was made possible by Make A Wish Foundation of Connecticut, the critical care team at the hospital, the social work team and the Groton Police Department, which provided comfort dogs.

"I can't even put into words what it was like to see her smile. She just listened to the waves and the ocean and had a big smile."

— Karen Dole, Eliana's grandmother

Lisa Brown, program director for the wish organization, said Eliana's case was tricky because she's very ill with an "end of life" situation and the hospital wanted something they could control.

"It's to make some memories with her family and for them to have these lasting memories with her," Brown

Fraser Weir, a critical care flight paramedic, was part of the transport team that helped make the family's dream a reality. It took tons of planning and coordination and efforts grew as time went on, Weir said.

At Tuesday's event the team watched Eliana closely, but casual in appearance. A flight nurse kept constant watch on the girl to make sure she wasn't getting too hot or tired — in which case the team was ready to whisk her away, Weir said.

"We're actually taking care of her right now," Fraser said. Seeing Eliana at the beach with her family is one of the most emotional experiences Weir said he's had in 30 years in the business.

"A happy one for me," he said.

Members of the New Haven Fire Department and police force were there in droves to support the effort, as were representatives from police and emergency services departments of UConn, Berlin, Torrington, Colchester and Groton.

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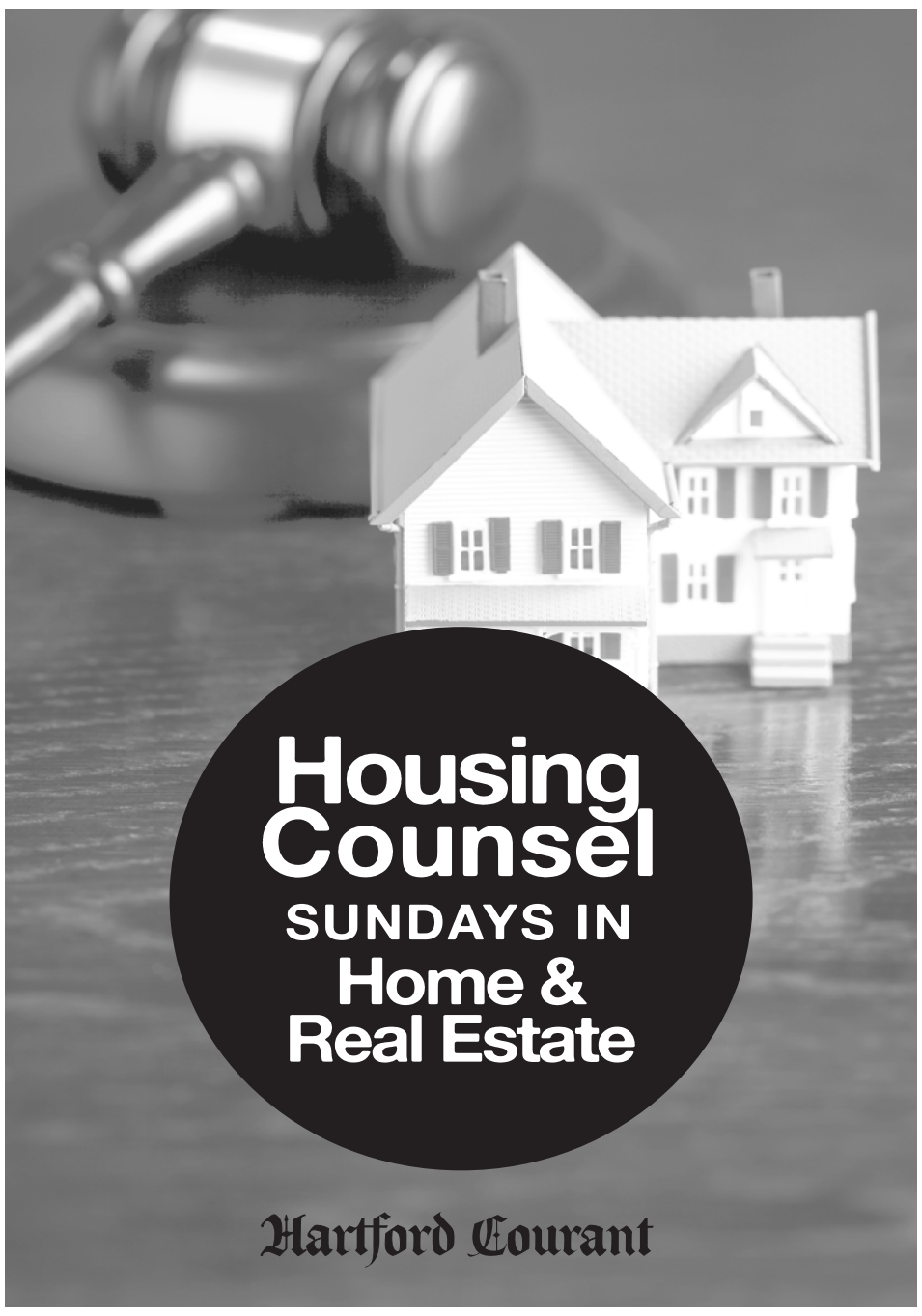
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MONDAY'S LATE NUMBERS
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PLAY4 NIGHT
9 2 8 2 **WB:** 5
CASH 5
4 7 18 20 27
LUCKY FOR LIFE
13 14 20 27 34 **LB:** 8
Friday's est. Lotto jackpot: $1.6 million
Tonight's est. Powerball jackpot:
$66 million







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Hartford apartment owner pleads guilty to mortgage fraud

Scheme may have led to $50 million in fraudulent loans

By Edmund H. Mahony
Hartford Courant

One of the managers of an extensive commercial real estate portfolio in Hartford admitted Tuesday that he participated in an elaborate fraud that persuaded mortgage lenders, among other things, that at least one vacant apartment building was fully occupied and may have led to the issuance of as much as $50 million in fraudulent mortgage loans.

Jacob Deutsch, 57, of Brooklyn, N.Y., pleaded guilty in U.S. District Court in Hartford to conspiracy to commit mail fraud and wire fraud affecting a financial institution. A cousin, Aron Deutsch, 61, of Monsey, N.Y., pleaded guilty in June to the same charge arising from the same case. Both face possible prison sentences.

The U.S. Attorney's office said there were 27 Hartford properties involved in the fraudulent conspiracy, from Asylum Hill to the South End.

The two Deutsches are associated with BH Property Management, which lists offices at 1010 Wethersfield Ave.

Federal authorities said the conspiracy ran from September 2016 to May 2021 and the victims were multiple banks; government sponsored, secondary mortgage lenders Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae; and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Federal prosecutors said lenders were persuaded to make loans on properties that didn't meet their lending criteria based on contrived information from BH Property Management about the value of its multi-family housing properties.

Court filings show that in one case, Jacob Deutsch went to extraordinary lengths — renting furniture and recruiting phony tenants — to persuade lenders to refinance BH Property Management's $1.2 million purchase in 2017 of a 24-unit apartment building at 16 Evergreen Ave. in Hartford's West End.

The building was vacant, but Deutsch admitted in court that he produced phony rent rolls and leases, arranged to have employees move clothing into apartments and pretend they lived there, staged apartments with rented furniture, and created "doctored' gas and electric bills to make it appear as if tenants were paying for utilities.

The mortgage originator on the Evergreen Avenue apartment was CBRE Capital Markets, which sold the loan to Freddie Mac upon closing.

"For instance, a rent roll and income and expense summary submitted by Jacob Deutsch to CBRE Capital Markets, Inc. in June 2018 falsely represented that 16 Evergreen Avenue was 100 percent occupied when, in fact, not a single tenant resided there at the time," the U.S. Attorney's office said. "Later, Jacob Deutsch e-mailed CBRE pictures of money orders and checks purporting to reflect rent payments from fake tenants on the falsified rent rolls for 16 Evergreen Avenue to show proof of payment of rent when, in fact, the money orders and checks had been purchased by Aron Deutsch or BHPM employees at Aron Deutsch's direction.

"Jacob Deutsch also provided the victim financial institutions with false and inflated income statements and financials for the properties, doctored bank statements, doctored or false documents overstating the purchase price of various multifamily housing properties, and doctored checks and invoices showing false or overstated capital improvements made to those properties."

Jacob Deutsch and Aron Deutsch were arrested on May 19, 2021. A date for their sentencing has not been scheduled.

Police

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In those rare times, people placed in the back are provided with safety straps that officers are required to tell them about. The prisoners are able to strap themselves in, Boisvert said. The majority of the time, though, prisoners are transported in marked police cruisers and are wearing seatbelts.

If a prisoner were injured while they are being transported, Boisvert said, officers would know to immediately call for medical help at the scene, rather than waiting until they reach their final destination.

"You're not going to move a potentially injured person," Boisvert said.

The lieutenant also said that officers are instructed to listen to them right away if a person who is in custody were to ask for medical help, whether it be for illness, injury or mental health concerns.

"We don't challenge people," he said. "If someone says they need to go to the hospital, we bring them to the hospital."

Cox told officers in New Haven that he thought he had broken his neck and that he could not move. He was slid into a wheelchair and processed and put in his holding cell before an ambulance was called. He was then taken to Yale New Haven Hospital where he underwent surgery, reports show.

New Haven Mayor Justin Elicker and that city's new chief have both vowed that what happened to Cox won't happen again in their city.

In New London, the police department does not use prisoner transport vans, said Capt. Matthew Galante.

Anyone under arrest is moved in a marked police cruiser that is fitted with seatbelts and the appropriate dividers between officers and passengers. The only time a prisoner's seatbelt might not be fashioned by an officer — or the prisoner themselves — is if the prisoner is combative or being violent, Galante said.

In the event of any sort of medical emergency, Galante said that officers would provide "immediate medical attention and transport to a medical facility" and an officer accompanies the person when they arrive at a hospital.

The captain also said New London police officers are instructed not to use electronic devices while driving prisoners unless "exigent Law Enforcement circumstances exist."

State statute allows law enforcement officers to be exempt from traffic regulations when performing their duties.

The Connecticut State Police said they do not have any transport vans.

Prisoners are always transported in the front seat of marked police cruisers because cruisers aren't fitted with security barriers between the back and front seats, according to Connecticut State Police Trooper First Class Pedro A. Muñiz.

"The safety and security of our residents is always our top priority whether our troopers are transporting prisoners or providing transport services to other members of our community, we ensure that everyone in our vehicles are properly secured," said Muñiz.

While in route, persons in police custody are handcuffed behind their backs and are seat-belted in. In-car video cameras are turned on and turned to face them so that all transports are properly recorded, Muniz said.

Whenever there is a medical emergency during a transport, Muniz said, troopers immediately notify their dispatch center and call an ambulance.

Connecticut State Police troopers may use in-car radios, computers or cellphones to communicate with dispatch, supervisors or other first responders.

Lt. Ryan Bessette of the Waterbury Police Department said police officers are trained to keep prisoners safe and secure no matter where they are.

"It is policy that officers not only maintain security but also provide for the safety of prisoners in our custody regardless of if in transport or at the detention area," said Bessette.

Part of that responsibility involves getting prisoners medical treatment whenever its necessary, he said. If there is a motor vehicle crash, officers are instructed to evaluate prisoners to determine how best to help them.

Waterbury police said they currently only use vans for travel to and from court arraignments in the morning, which typically involves bringing multiple prisoners to the same courthouse.

Seatbelts are only required when prisoners are traveling in cruisers, not when they're being moved in those vans, according to Bessette.

Transport vans are equipped with straps that prisoners can hold onto for safety, Bessette said.

The Connecticut Department of Correction transports more than 1,000 inmates on a weekly basis, moving them for things like court appearances, trips to the hospital and transfers between facilities, according to Andrius Banevicius, the DOC spokesperson. All trips are handled by the DOC's dedicated Central Transportation Unit.

The unit uses transport vans, but they are all equipped with seatbelts. Every inmate and staff member involved in a transport is required to use a seatbelt while the van is in motion, according to the Banevicius.

If a van were involved in an accident, state or local police would be called to the scene and the DOC determines whether additional department staff or vehicles need to respond, as well.

In the event of a medical emergency, the DOC driver is instructed to use their discretion as to whether an inmate should be brought to a hospital, to the nearest facility or if they should pull over and call an ambulance for them, Banevicius said.

Every correctional facility has medical staff on site, Banevicius said.

Staff from DOC are prohibited from having their personal cellphones with them anytime they are on duty but carry department-issued cell phones or radios with them in the vans in order to maintain communication between the correctional facility and the second location, like the courthouse or hospital, according to Banevicius.

The Norwich Police Department did not respond to repeated requests for comment on their policies.

The Bridgeport Police Department declined to provide information about their transport or medical attention procedures, citing the need for a formal Freedom of Information Act request in order for that information to be made available.

WAR IN UKRAINE

Russia uses 'stealth mobilization' for new troops

Analysts say tactic prevents political risks of a draft

By Neil MacFarquhar
The New York Times



Ukrainian soldiers salvage parts from a Russian military vehicle on April 3 in Bucha. **DANIEL BEREHULAK/THE NEW YORK TIMES**

Four Russian veterans of the war in Ukraine recently published short videos online to complain about what they called their shabby treatment after returning to the Russian region of Chechnya, after six weeks on the battlefield.

One claimed to have been denied a promised payment of nearly $2,000. Another grumbled that a local hospital declined to remove shrapnel lodged in his body.

Their public pleas for help got results, but not the kind they were hoping for.

Instead, an aide to Ramzan Kadyrov, the autocrat who runs Chechnya, berated them at length on television as ingrates and forced them to recant.

"I was paid much more than they promised," said Nikolai Lipa, the young Russian who had claimed that he had been cheated.

Ordinarily, these sort of complaints might be ignored, but the swift rebuke underscores how Russian officials want to stamp out any criticism about military service in Ukraine. They need more soldiers, desperately, and are already using what some analysts call a "stealth mobilization" to bring in new recruits without resorting to a politically risky national draft.

To make up the manpower shortfall, the Kremlin is relying on a combination of impoverished ethnic minorities, Ukrainians from the separatist territories, mercenaries and militarized national guard units to fight the war, and promising hefty cash incentives for volunteers.

"Russia has a problem with recruitment and mobilization," said Kamil Galeev, an independent Russian analyst and former fellow at The Wilson Center in Washington. "It is basically desperate to get more men using any means possible."

The numbers of battlefield dead and wounded are closely held secrets on both sides. The British military recently estimated the number of dead Russians at 25,000, with tens of thousands more wounded, out of an invasion force of 300,000, including support units.

Yet, President Vladimir Putin hobbled the mobilization effort from the beginning, experts said, by refusing to put Russia on a war footing that would have allowed the military to start calling up reserves. Hence, the Kremlin has tried to glue together replacement battalions through other means.

Avoiding a draft for all adult males allows the Kremlin to maintain the fiction that the war is a limited "special military operation," while also minimizing the risk of the kind of public backlash that spurred the end of previous Russian military debacles, like the one in Afghanistan and the first Chechen war.

The public outcry after Chechnya prompted Russia to ban the use on the battlefield of raw recruits, men ages 18-27 who are required to complete a year of mandatory military service.

The revelations that hundreds were deployed in Ukraine anyway, including some of the sailors who died when the Ukrainians sank the Moskva, the flagship of the Black Sea fleet, prompted the very outrage from parents that the Kremlin had sought to avoid.

Numerous analysts have raised doubts about how long Russia can sustain its offensive in Ukraine without a general mobilization. Igor Girkin, a military analyst and a frequent critic of the Ukraine strategy, has said that Russia cannot possibly conquer the entire country without one.

But the Kremlin seems determined to avoid taking such a drastic step. Instead, recruitment offices have resorted to calling reservists repeatedly to offer cash incentives for short deployments.

Online want ads placed by the regional recruitment offices of the Ministry of Defense also overflow with thousands of postings for those with military specialties. Recent listings on global job sites like Head Hunter included units looking for combat engineers, anyone who could operate a grenade launcher and even the commander for a parachute squadron.

The salaries offered to some volunteers, which can range between $2,000 and $6,000 a month, are far more than the average monthly salary in Russia of about $700. Prewar contracts for privates sometimes were as paltry as around $200 a month.

The online Russian ads avoid mentioning Ukraine, and the short-term offers, often three months, are meant to play down the risks of never coming home.

"It may be that it is necessary to get them into the army, and when they are already in the army, figure out what to do," said Galeev.

The high death toll among soldiers from poorer republics populated by ethnic minorities, like Dagestan in the Caucasus and Buryatia in southern Siberia, indicate that they fill the front ranks in disproportionate numbers.

Statistics, compiled by MediaZona, an independent news outlet, from public sources, show 225 dead in Dagestan through June, along with 185 in Buryatia, compared to nine from Moscow and 30 from St. Petersburg.

Minority conscripts in particular are pressured to sign contracts.

"They tell them that if they return to their hometown, they will not find any job, so it is better to stay in the army to earn money," said Vladimir Budaev, a spokesperson for the Free Buryatia Foundation, an anti-war group abroad for the Buryats, an Indigenous minority.

Authorities in Chechnya, Dagestan and Ingushetia have announced that they will form regiments made up entirely of men from the region, apparently in hopes that local nationalism would inspire more volunteers. The military has avoided that kind of recruitment since czarist times out of fear of fostering separatist movements.

In the battle for Luhansk and Donetsk in the Donbas region of eastern Ukraine, the Russian military has done away with niceties like cash bonuses. Conscription is mandatory for men between ages 18 and 65 in areas under Russian control, and front-line fighters there are mainly local conscripts.

The Kremlin is particularly cavalier about their casualties, experts say.

Some have been grabbed right off the streets and dispatched to the trenches with little or no training and vintage guns, military analysts and relatives have said. "It is the colonial model of locals being used as cannon fodder," Galeev said.

The ombudsman for the Donetsk People's Republic, a pseudo-statelet created by Russia, wrote on his Telegram channel in early June that 2,061 of its men had been killed and 8,509 wounded from a force of 20,000 at the start of the invasion.



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Biden seeks Mideast relations reset

Challenges loom in region questioning future of US ties

By Chris Megerian, Josef Federman and Aamer Madhani
Associated Press



A worker prepares Israeli and U.S. flags Tuesday in Jerusalem ahead of President Biden's arrival. **AHMAD GHARABLI/GETTY-AFP**

WASHINGTON — President Joe Biden will try to reaffirm and recalibrate U.S. relationships in the Middle East during his first trip to the region since taking office, but it won't be easy in a corner of the world that's asking fresh questions about the future of American influence.

Biden departed late Tuesday for Israel, where chaotic politics have left a caretaker government in charge until elections later this year, limiting the opportunity for durable dealmaking.

Analysts say it's unlikely that Biden will have much better luck in the West Bank when he visits with Palestinian leaders who have become increasingly unpopular among their own people.

The trip could become more fraught from there. Biden's next stop will be Saudi Arabia, an autocracy with a legacy of human rights abuses but also vast reserves of oil the president wants to see pumped more quickly to alleviate high gas prices caused, in part, by the Russian invasion of Ukraine.

Looming over Biden's travels will be his administration's struggle to rejuvenate the Iran nuclear deal that was reached by President Barack Obama in 2015 and abandoned by President Donald Trump in 2018. Negotiations stalled last month, and Iran is believed to be closer than ever to having the ability to build a nuclear weapon.

"He's going to face a region that's long on problems with very few solutions," said Aaron David Miller, a former State Department official who is now a senior fellow at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace.

Biden has been more focused on Europe, which is experiencing its worst armed conflict since World War II, and Asia, where he's been trying to reorient U.S. foreign policy to confront China's rising power.

Jake Sullivan, the president's national security adviser, said the U.S. needs to remain "intensively engaged" in the Middle East because the region is "deeply interwoven with the rest of the world."

"If we act now to create a peaceful and stable region, it will pay dividends for the American national interests and for the American people for years to come," Sullivan said.

Biden also is expected to visit an Israeli missile defense installation and the Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial. In addition, he's slated to receive Israel's Presidential Medal of Honor.

The U.S. and Israel plan to issue a joint statement dubbed the Jerusalem Declaration on Thursday that is meant to serve as a road map for the countries' relationship in the coming years, according to senior Israeli officials who briefed reporters Tuesday.

The declaration would include a tough stance on Iran's nuclear program, committing both countries to use "all elements of their national power against the Iranian nuclear threat," according to one of the officials who spoke on the condition of anonymity.

Biden travels to Saudi Arabia at the end of the week, when he'll attend a summit of the Gulf Cooperation Council, which brings together the region's Arab leaders.

Sullivan said the president will make a "major statement" on his vision for the Middle East region.

But the most closely watched encounter will be his first meeting with Mohammed bin Salman, the kingdom's crown prince and presumed heir to the throne held by King Salman.

Biden has been sharply critical of Saudi Arabia, even saying during the presidential campaign that it should be treated like a "pariah" for human rights abuses. His administration released a declassified intelligence report saying the crown prince likely approved the 2018 murder of Jamal Khashoggi, a U.S.-based writer who was critical of the regime.

However, the shifting politics of energy have led Biden to change course, especially as American drivers face high gas costs. The global price spike could also make it more difficult for Biden to convince allies to keep pressuring Russia with sanctions as the war in Ukraine grinds on.

Even if Biden's visit goes smoothly, there may not be any immediate relief because oil production targets are governed by an agreement reached among the members of OPEC+, a cartel that includes Saudi Arabia and Russia.

And while the current agreement expires in September, concern about a potential worldwide recession could make oil producers wary about pumping more.

Critics say that some of Biden's rhetoric around the Saudi leg of the trip, particularly playing down his expected meeting with the crown prince, could complicate efforts to reset relations.

The president has stressed that the primary purpose of his visit to Jeddah is to take part in the gathering of the Gulf council countries.

One factor in seeking a detente in the Saudi relationship is growing concern in the administration that the Saudis could move closer to China and Russia amid strain with the United States.

Another significant stumbling block has been the lack of a new nuclear agreement with Iran. The last round of negotiations in Doha, Qatar ended without success.

The Saudis, as well as the Israelis, have been frustrated that the White House has not abandoned efforts to revive the deal with Tehran.

Source: Mexico OKs $1.5B to improve tech at border

Move among several deals after meeting at the White House

By Will Weissert and Zeke Miller
Associated Press



President Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador of Mexico speaks Tuesday with Vice President Kamala Harris at her official residence before his meeting with President Joe Biden. **ALEX WONG/GETTY**

WASHINGTON — Mexican President Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador agreed to spend $1.5 billion to improve "smart" border technology during meetings Tuesday with President Joe Biden — a move the White House says shows neighborly cooperation succeeding where Trump administration vows to wall off the border and have Mexico pay for it could not.

A person familiar with a series of agreements the two countries hammered out as their leaders met in Washington said they also called for other things such as expanding the number of work visas the U.S. issues and welcoming more refugees. They also would create joint patrols for Mexico and Guatemala to hunt human smugglers along their shared border.

The person spoke on the condition of anonymity because the agreement hadn't been formally announced. But the Biden administration was excited about securing border funding from Mexico after years of failed attempts by former President Donald Trump.

The agreements came hours after the meetings began with Lopez Obrador offering more than 30 minutes' worth of comments. He touched on everything from Americans heading south for cheaper prices at the pump at Mexican gas stations to the New Deal politics of Franklin Delano Roosevelt, while chiding conservatives and saying the U.S. and Mexico should reject the "status quo" on the border.

Lopez Obrador said both countries "should close ranks to help each other" amid spiking inflation and border challenges brutally underscored by 53 migrants who died last month after being abandoned in a sweltering semitrailer on a remote back road in San Antonio.

Though in the past he's not shied away from U.S. criticism, Lopez Obrador struck a positive tone with Biden while praising Vice President Kamala Harris.

Biden was equally conciliatory, saying, "I see, we see Mexico as an equal partner" and shrugging off differences of opinion on policy with Lopez Obrador, "You and I have a strong and productive relationship and I would argue a partnership."

That was a departure from last month, when Lopez Obrador declined Biden's invitation to the Summit of the Americas in Los Angeles after unsuccessfully urging the U.S. to include the leaders of Cuba, Nicaragua and Venezuela — all countries with anti-democratic regimes.

The Mexican leader also has called U.S. support for Ukraine in its war with Russia "a crass error" and criticized the U.S. for moving more swiftly to provide military funding to Ukraine than financial aid to Central America.

Speaking of the migrant deaths in Texas — which included people from Mexico and Central America — Biden said "we know we have to meet these challenges together." He said the U.S. and Mexico agree on the need to increase opportunities for legal migration, especially since more workers can help alleviate U.S. labor shortages and potentially help calm rising prices.

Immigration has been a political flashpoint for Biden as top Republicans have pointed to a rising number of people from Mexico and Central America crossing the southern U.S. border illegally while slamming the administration and top Democrats for not doing more to slow it. Lopez Obrador acknowledged those criticisms, but said the situation at the border will require more than politics.

"The way out it through transformation," he said. "Transform, not maintain the status quo."

A series of agreements announced by the Biden administration pledged joint actions to modernize and improve infrastructure along key parts of their 2,000-mile border, enhance law enforcement cooperation against fentanyl smuggling and promote clean energy.

Biden said that a "major anti smuggling operation" against fentanyl traffickers has been underway since April and had led to more than 3,000 arrests.

Despite broad agreement on attempting to increase legal migration, the Biden administration has been less clear about how much it'll urge Mexico to stop people heading through its territory to then cross into the U.S. illegally. That was a key demand of Trump.

Harris, who has been tasked with exploring the root causes of immigration across Latin America, also hosted Lopez Obrador for a Tuesday breakfast that featured mutual kind words.

"She is our friend," Lopez Obrador said. "But also a woman with principles. An intelligent woman. Honest. She is a partisan of equality. So I congratulate the American people because they have a first-order vice president."



The James Webb Space Telescope captured this star-forming region, NGC 3324, in the Carina Nebula. **NASA/GETTY-AFP**

NASA telescope offers view deep into cosmos

By Seth Borenstein
Associated Press

GREENBELT, Md. — A sparkling landscape of baby stars. A foamy blue and orange view of a dying star. Five galaxies in a cosmic dance. The splendors of the universe glowed in a new batch of images released Tuesday from NASA's powerful new telescope.

The unveiling from the $10 billion James Webb Space Telescope began Monday at the White House with a sneak peek of the first shot — a jumble of distant galaxies that went deeper into the cosmos than humanity has ever seen.

Tuesday's releases showed parts of the universe seen by other telescopes. But Webb's sheer power, distant location from Earth and use of the infrared light spectrum showed them in a new light.

"It's the beauty but also the story," NASA senior Webb scientist John Mather, a Nobel laureate, said after the reveal. "It's the story of where did we come from."

With Webb, scientist hope to glimpse light from the first stars and galaxies that formed 13.7 billion years ago, just 100 million years from the universe-creating Big Bang. The telescope also will scan the atmospheres of alien worlds for possible signs of life.

"Every image is a new discovery and each will give humanity a view of the humanity that we've never seen before," NASA Administrator Bill Nelson said Tuesday, rhapsodizing over images showing "the formation of stars, devouring black holes."

Webb's use of the infrared light spectrum allows the telescope to peer through the cosmic dust and see faraway light from the corners of the universe, he said.

"We've really changed the understanding of our universe," said European Space Agency director general Josef Aschbacher.

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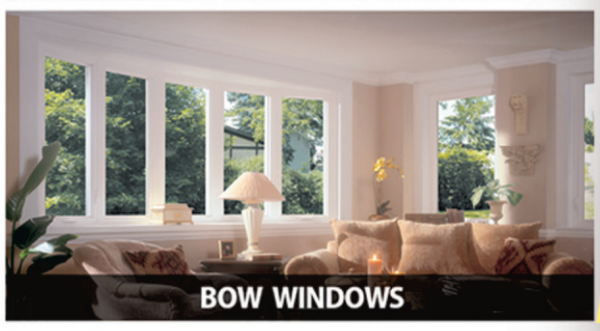
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Twitter sues Musk to force him to complete his $44B acquisition

From news services

Twitter said Tuesday it has sued Elon Musk to force him to complete the $44 billion acquisition of the social media company.

Musk and Twitter have been bracing for a legal fight since the billionaire said Friday he was backing off of his April agreement to buy the company.

Twitter's lawsuit opens with an accusation that "Musk refuses to honor his obligations to Twitter and its stockholders because the deal he signed no longer serves his personal interests."

"Having mounted a public spectacle to put Twitter in play, and having proposed and then signed a seller-friendly merger agreement, Musk apparently believes that he — unlike every other party subject to Delaware contract law — is free to change his mind, trash the company, disrupt its operations, destroy stockholder value, and walk away," the suit says.

Twitter filed its lawsuit in the Delaware Court of Chancery, which frequently handles business disputes among the many corporations, including Twitter, that are incorporated there.

Musk alleged Friday that Twitter has failed to provide enough information about the number of fake accounts on its service. Twitter said last month that it was making available to Musk a "firehose" of raw data on hundreds of millions of daily tweets.

The company has said for years in regulatory filings that it believes about 5% of the accounts on the platform are fake. Musk is also alleging that Twitter broke the acquisition agreement when it fired two top managers and laid off a third of its talent-acquisition team.

When Musk offered to buy the company and take it private in mid-April, the board initially tried to block him by deploying a financial maneuver that would have made the acquisition prohibitively expensive.

By April 25, though, Twitter had reconsidered the offer, concluding that selling the company to Musk for $54.20 a share was in the best interest of shareholders. Twitter's stock closed at $34.06 a share on Tuesday.

Superbug infections: The toll of drug-resistant superbug infections worsened during the first year of the COVID-19 pandemic, U.S. health officials said Tuesday.

After years of decline, 2020 saw a 15% increase in hospital infections and deaths caused by some of the most worrisome bacterial infections, according to a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention report. CDC officials think several factors may have caused the rise, including how COVID-19 was treated when it first hit the U.S. two years ago.

Before the pandemic, health officials said U.S. superbug infections appeared to be going down. Deaths fell 18% between 2012 and 2017, when about 36,000 Americans died from drug-resistant infections. The government credited hospitals for using antibiotics more judiciously, and for isolating patients who might spread the germs.

The CDC doesn't have 2020 data on all superbugs, partly because health officials had to focus on COVID-19. But it has data from seven kinds of bacterial and fungal infections detected in hospital patients, including MRSA and a bug called CRE that's known as "the nightmare bacteria."

The CDC saw increases of 15% or more in infections and deaths from that group of germs.



Final goodbye: A hearse carrying the body of former Japanese Prime Minister Shinzo Abe leaves Zojoji temple in downtown Tokyo after his funeral service Tuesday. More than 1,000 mourners attended the funeral. Abe, 67, was assassinated Friday while giving a campaign speech in the western city of Nara. A suspect arrested at the scene remains in police custody. HIRO KOMAE/AP

Virus variant warning: President Joe Biden's coronavirus response team warned Americans on Tuesday that they must do more to protect themselves against COVID-19 as the highly transmissible BA.5 subvariant of the coronavirus fuels new infections, reinfections and hospitalizations across the country.

BA.5, an offshoot of the omicron variant, is dominant among new U.S. cases. The White House has seen it march across Europe and South Africa.

The response team outlined its strategy to fight BA.5, which appears to be able to evade vaccines, as well as immune system defenses built up through prior infection.

Federal officials are considering expanding eligibility for second coronavirus booster shots to adults younger than 50, according to several people familiar with the thinking.

Calif. gun sales block: Gun makers and dealers in California will be required to block firearms sales to anyone they have "reasonable cause to believe is at substantial risk" of using a gun illegally or of harming themselves or others, under a new law Gov. Gavin Newsom announced Tuesday that he had signed.

The bill was one of more than a dozen adding to California's already strict gun regulations that were sent to Newsom, a Democrat, by state lawmakers before they left for their monthlong summer recess.

Starting in July 2023, the state's firearm industry standard of conduct will require those making, importing or selling guns to "take reasonable precautions" to make sure the weapons don't fall into the wrong hands.

That includes having "reasonable controls" to prevent sales to arms traffickers, straw buyers, those prohibited from owning guns, and anyone deemed to be at "substantial risk" of using the gun improperly.

The National Rifle Association said the requirements are vague and represent an attempt to hold gun dealers and makers liable for the actions of others.

Sri Lanka's leader flees: The president of Sri Lanka fled the country early Wednesday, days after protesters stormed his home and office and the official residence of his prime minister amid a three-month economic crisis that triggered severe shortages of food and fuel.

President Gotabaya Rajapaksa, his wife and two bodyguards left aboard a Sri Lankan Air Force plane bound for the city of Male, the capital of the Maldives, according to an immigration official who spoke on the condition of anonymity.

Rajapaksa had agreed to step down under pressure. Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe said he would leave once a new government was in place.

Lawmakers agreed to elect a new president next week but struggled Tuesday to decide on the makeup of a new government to lift the bankrupt country out of its economic collapse.

Ala. inmate charged: A prisoner who prompted a nationwide manhunt when he disappeared in April from an Alabama jail has been charged with killing the corrections official authorities said helped him escape.

Casey White, 38, has been indicted on a murder charge for the shooting death of 56-year-old Vicky White, Lauderdale County District Attorney Chris Connolly announced Tuesday.

The pair's disappearance sparked the manhunt that ended in Indiana where Casey White was captured and Vicky White died. The indictment alleges that during the escape, "White caused the death of Vicky White, who died from a gunshot to the head."

The indictment does not specify who pulled the trigger. Authorities have said Vicky White died from a self-inflicted gunshot wound.

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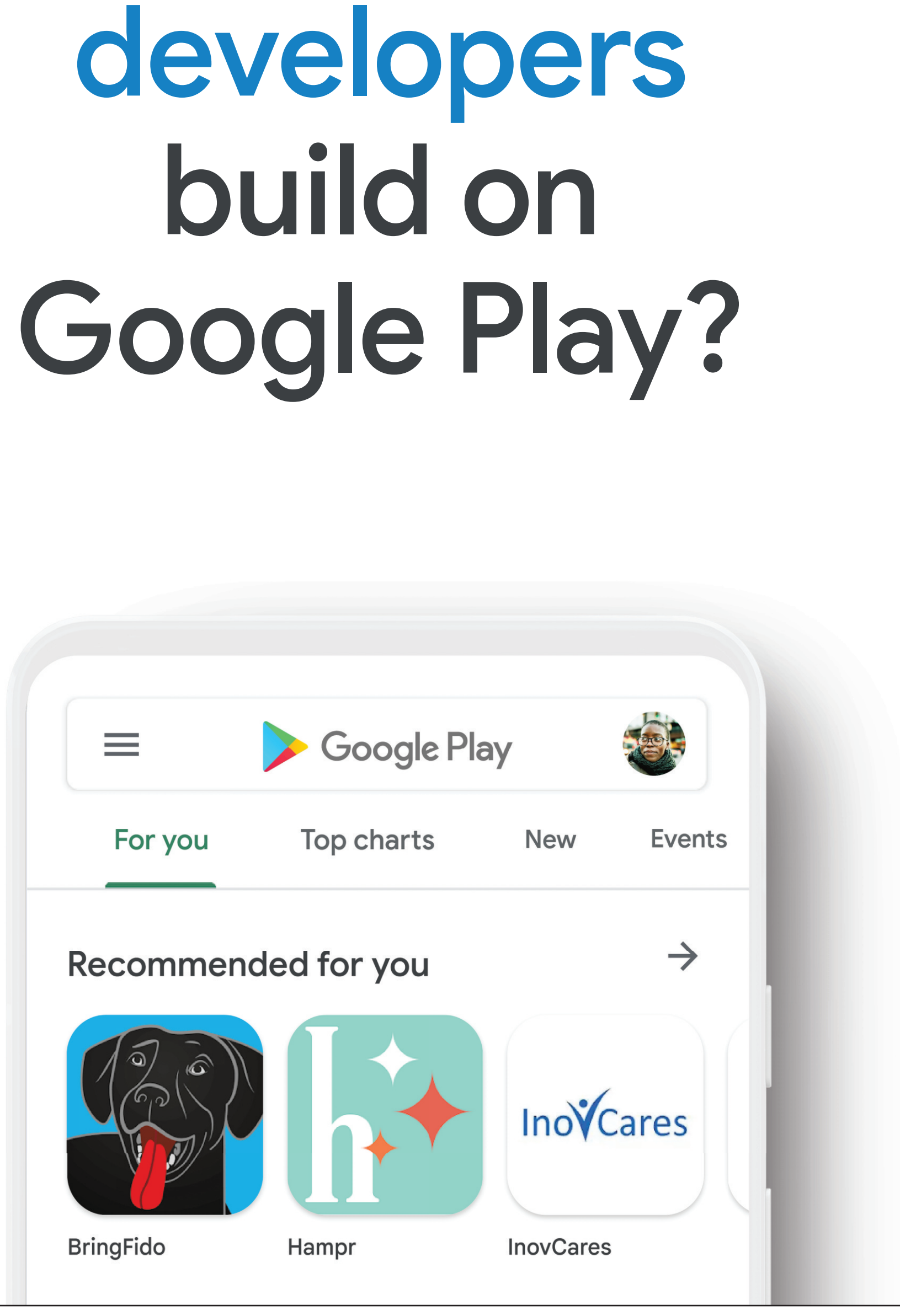
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WORLD & NATION

Eichmann's words a chilling sequel

Tapes of Nazi war criminal are basis of documentary series

By Isabel Kershner
The New York Times



Images from the trial of Adolf Eichmann at an exhibition on June 8 in Jerusalem. **AVISHAG SHAAR-YASHUV/THE NEW YORK TIMES**

TEL AVIV, Israel — Six decades after the historic trial in Jerusalem of Adolf Eichmann, one of the chief engineers of the Holocaust, a new Israeli documentary series has delivered a dramatic coda: the boastful confessions of the Nazi war criminal, in his own voice.

The hours of old tape recordings, which had been denied to Israeli prosecutors at the time of Eichmann's trial, provided the basis for the series, called "The Devil's Confession: The Lost Eichmann Tapes," which has generated keen interest in Israel as it aired over the past month.

The tapes fell into various private hands after being made in 1957 by a Dutch Nazi sympathizer, before eventually ending up in a German government archive, which in 2020 gave the Israeli co-creators of the series — producer Kobi Sitt and director Yariv Mozer — permission to use the recordings.

Eichmann went to the gallows insisting he was a mere functionary following orders, denying responsibility for the crimes of which he had been found guilty. Describing himself as a small cog in the state apparatus who was in charge of train schedules, his professed mediocrity gave rise to philosopher Hannah Arendt's theory of the banality of evil.

The documentary series intersperses Eichmann's words, in German, defending the Holocaust, with reenactments of gatherings of Nazi sympathizers in 1957 in Buenos Aires, Argentina, where the recordings were made.

Exposing Eichmann's visceral, ideological antisemitism, his zeal for hunting down Jews and his role in the mechanics of mass murder, the series brings the missing evidence from the trial to a mass audience for the first time.

Eichmann can be heard swatting a fly buzzing around the room and describing it as having "a Jewish nature."

He told his interlocutors that he "did not care" whether the Jews he sent to Auschwitz lived or died. Having denied knowledge of their fate in his trial, he said on tape that the order was that "Jews who are fit to work should be sent to work. Jews who are not fit to work must be sent to the Final Solution, period," meaning their physical destruction.

"If we had killed 10.3 million Jews, I would say with satisfaction, 'Good, we destroyed an enemy.' Then we would have fulfilled our mission," he said, referring to all the Jews of Europe.

Mozer, the director, who was also the writer of the series and himself the grandson of Holocaust survivors, said, "This is proof against Holocaust deniers and a way to see the true face of Eichmann."

Eichmann's trial took place in 1961 after Mossad agents kidnapped him in Argentina and spirited him to Israel. The shocking testimonies of survivors and the full horror of the Holocaust were outlined in gruesome detail for the world.

The court had a wealth of documentation and testimony on which to base its conviction of Eichmann. The prosecution had also obtained over 700 pages of transcripts of the tapes recorded in Buenos Aires, marked up with corrections in Eichmann's handwriting.

But Eichmann asserted that the transcripts distorted his words.

The Supreme Court of Israel did not accept them as evidence, other than the handwritten notes, and Eichmann challenged the chief prosecutor, Gideon Hausner, to produce the original tapes.

In his account of the trial, "Justice in Jerusalem," Hausner related how he had tried to get hold of the tapes until the last day of Eichmann's cross-examination, noting, "He could hardly have been able to deny his own voice."

Hausner wrote that he had been offered the tapes for $20,000, a vast sum at the time, and that he had been prepared to approve the expenditure "considering their historical importance." But the unidentified seller attached a condition that they not be taken to Israel until after the trial, Hausner said.

The tapes were made by Willem Sassen, a Dutch journalist and a Nazi SS officer and propagandist during World War II. Part of a group of Nazi fugitives in Buenos Aires, he and Eichmann embarked on the recording project with an eye to publishing a book after Eichmann's death. Members of the group met for hours each week at Sassen's house. And Eichmann talked and talked.

After Eichmann's capture, Sassen sold the transcripts to Life magazine, which published an abridged, two-part excerpt. Hausner described that version as "cosmeticized."

After Eichmann's execution in 1962, the original tapes were sold to a publishing house in Europe and eventually acquired by a company that wished to remain anonymous and that deposited the tapes in the German federal archives in Koblenz, with instructions that they should be used only for academic research.

Bettina Stangneth, a German philosopher and historian, partially based her 2011 book "Eichmann Before Jerusalem" on the tapes. German authorities released a few minutes of audio for public consumption over two decades ago, "to prove it exists," Mozer said.

"I'm not afraid of the memory, I'm afraid of the forgetfulness," Sitt said of the Holocaust.

German authorities and the owner of the tapes gave the filmmakers free access to 15 hours of surviving audio. (Sassen had recorded about 70 hours, but he had taped over many of the expensive reels after transcribing them.)

Mozer said the owner of the tapes and the archive agreed to give the filmmakers access, believing that they would treat the material respectfully and responsibly.

The project grew into a nearly $2 million joint production between MGM; Sipur, an Israeli company formerly known as Tadmor Entertainment; Toluca Pictures; and Kan 11, Israel's public broadcaster.

A 108-minute version premiered as the opening movie at the Docaviv film festival in Tel Aviv this spring.

A 180-minute television version was aired in three episodes in Israel in June. MGM is looking for partners to license and air the series around the world.

The conversations in Sassen's living room are interspersed with archival footage and interviews with surviving participants of the trial.

The archival footage has been colorized because, the filmmakers said, young people think of black-and-white footage as unrealistic.

Hearing the tapes now, the unambiguous confessions of Eichmann are startling.

"It's a difficult thing that I am telling you," Eichmann says in the recording, "and I know I will be judged for it. But I cannot tell you otherwise. It's the truth. Why should I deny it?"

"Nothing annoys me more," he added, "than a person who later denies the things he has done."



Maksym Sologub puts out a fire Tuesday in the ruins of his grandmother's house after an overnight airstrike in the suburbs of Sloviansk, Ukraine. **MIGUEL MEDINA/GETTY-AFP**

WAR IN UKRAINE

Ukraine reports targeted hit on Russian munitions depot

By Maria Grazia Murru
Associated Press

KYIV, Ukraine — The Ukrainian military on Tuesday reported destroying a Russian ammunition depot in southern Ukraine, resulting in a massive explosion captured on social media, while authorities said the death toll from a weekend Russian strike in the country's east grew to 41.

An overnight rocket strike targeted the depot in Russian-held Nova Kakhovka, the Ukrainian military's southern command said. Nova Kakhovka is located about 35 miles east of the Black Sea port city of Kherson, which is also occupied by Russian forces.

The precision of the strike suggested Ukrainian forces used U.S-supplied multiple-launch High Mobility Artillery Rocket Systems, or HIMARS, to hit the area. Ukraine indicated in recent days that it might launch a counteroffensive to reclaim territory in the country's south as Russia bombards the eastern Donbas region.

Russia's Tass news agency offered a different account of the blast in Nova Kakhovka, saying a mineral fertilizer storage facility exploded, and that a market, hospital and houses were damaged in the strike. Some ingredients in fertilizer can be used for ammunition.

A satellite photo taken Tuesday, analyzed by Associated Press, showed significant damage. A huge crater stood precisely where a large warehouse-like structure once stood in the city,

Ukraine now has eight HIMAR systems, a truck-mounted missile launcher with high accuracy, and Washington has promised to send another four.

Elsewhere in Ukraine, Russian shelling over the previous 24 hours killed at least 16 civilians and wounded 48 more, Ukraine's presidential office said in its Tuesday morning update. Cities and towns in five southeast regions came under Russian fire, the office said.

The British military said Tuesday that Russia was continuing to make "small, incremental gains" in Donetsk, where heavy fighting led the province's governor last week to urge its 350,000 remaining residents to move to safer places in western Ukraine.

Yet many in the Donbas, a fertile industrial region in eastern Ukraine made of Donetsk and Luhansk provinces, refuse — or are unable — to flee, despite scores of civilians being killed and wounded each week.

In Kharkiv, Ukraine's second-largest city, and its surrounding region, Russian strikes hit residential buildings, killing four civilians and wounding nine, Ukrainian officials said.

Air raid sirens sounded Tuesday in the western city of Lviv — the first daytime sirens there in over a week — and in other areas of Ukraine as Russian forces continued to make advances.

In eastern Luhansk, "fighting continues near the villages" on the administrative border with neighboring Donetsk, Luhansk Gov. Serhiy Haidai told the Associated Press on Tuesday.

"The Russian army burns down everything in its way. The artillery barrage doesn't stop and sometimes continues for four to six hours on end," Haidai said.

8 UK lawmakers on opening ballot to replace PM Johnson

By Jill Lawless
Associated Press



Former British Treasury chief Rishi Sunak speaks Tuesday in London to launch his bid to become the Conservative Party's leader and prime minister. **STEFAN ROUSSEAU/PA IMAGES**

LONDON — Nominations in the race to replace British Prime Minister Boris Johnson closed on Tuesday, with eight Conservative lawmakers securing enough support from their colleagues to make the first ballot.

Former Health Secretary Sajid Javid, whose resignation last week helped bring Johnson down, was a surprise in failing to make the cut.

Candidates needed backing from at least 20 fellow legislators to be on the ballot for run-off votes, which will start Wednesday.

The successful contenders include former Treasury chief Rishi Sunak, Foreign Secretary Liz Truss, Trade Minister Penny Mordaunt and backbench lawmaker Tom Tugendhat.

Also on the ballot are Treasury chief Nadhim Zahawi, former Equalities Minister Kemi Badenoch, former Foreign Secretary Jeremy Hunt and Attorney General Suella Braverman.

Javid quit the race Tuesday after failing to get 20 supporters. Transport Secretary Grant Shapps and lawmaker Rehman Chisti also pulled out after struggling to gather support.

The candidates are jostling to replace Johnson, who quit last week amid a party revolt triggered by months of ethics scandals. He will remain in office as a caretaker prime minister until his replacement as party chief is chosen. The winner of that contest will automatically become prime minister.

The new leader will be chosen in a two-stage election, in which the 358 Conservative lawmakers reduce the race to two candidates through a series of elimination votes. The final pair will be put to a ballot of party members across the country.

The first round of voting was scheduled for Wednesday, with candidates who fail to get at least 30 votes eliminated. Further rounds will take place Thursday and, if needed, next week.

The party aims to complete the parliamentary stage of the election before lawmakers break for the summer on July 21.

The new leader is due to be announced when the House of Commons returns on Sept. 5.

Many Conservatives are wary of leaving Johnson in office for too long, concerned a lame-duck leader is the last thing Britain needs with war raging in Ukraine, food and energy price increases driving inflation to levels not seen in decades, and growing labor unrest.

Some also worry Johnson — brought down by scandals over money, rule-breaking and his handling of sexual misconduct allegations against lawmakers — could do mischief during his final months in office.

The opposition Labor Party called for the House of Commons to hold a no-confidence vote in Johnson this week, but the government refused to allow it, saying it was not "a valuable use of parliamentary time" because a contest to replace the prime minister already was underway.

Labor accused the government of "running scared."

In the wide-open leadership contest, contenders are striving to set themselves apart from the perceived front-runner, former Treasury secretary Sunak, who already has the backing of more than three dozen lawmakers.

Many have repudiated the tax increases Sunak introduced to shore up U.K. finances battered by the coronavirus pandemic and Brexit — a 1.25% income-tax hike for millions of workers, and an increase in corporation tax next year from 19% to 25%. Most candidates say they will scrap one or both.

Sunak has cast himself as the candidate of fiscal probity. On Tuesday, he said the country needed "honesty and responsibility, not fairy tales" to get through tough economic times.

"It is not credible to promise lots more spending and low taxes," he said.

Sunak also called for an end to the personal attacks flying around in the contest — many aimed at him.

"I will not engage in the negativity you have seen and read in the media. If others wish to do that, then let them," he said. "That is not who we are."

WORLD & NATION

Medic describes 'hell' of captivity

Famed Ukrainian spent 3 months as a Russian prisoner

By Lori Hinnant and Vasilisa Stepanenko
Associated Press



Ukrainian medic Yuliia Paievska, known as Taira, poses last Friday in Kyiv. After being detained for three months by forces loyal to Russia, she cannot help constantly thinking about the 21 other female prisoners she left behind. **EVGENIY MALOLETKA/AP**

KYIV, Ukraine — The captive Ukrainian medic's eyeglasses had long since been taken away, and the face of the Russian man walking past her was a blur.

Yuliia Paievska knew only that her life was being traded for his, and that she was leaving behind 21 women in a tiny 10-by 20-foot prison cell they had shared for what felt like an eternity. Her joy and relief was tempered by the sense that she was abandoning them to an uncertain fate.

Before she was captured, Paievska, better known throughout Ukraine as Taira, had recorded more than 256 gigabytes of harrowing bodycam footage showing her team's efforts to save the wounded in the besieged city of Mariupol. She got the footage to journalists from The Associated Press, the last international team in Mariupol, on a tiny data card.

The journalists fled the city on March 15 with the card embedded inside a tampon, carrying it through 15 Russian checkpoints. The next day, Taira was taken by pro-Russian forces.

Three months passed before she emerged on June 17, thin and haggard, more than 22 pounds lighter from lack of nourishment and activity. She said the AP report that showed her caring for Russian and Ukrainian soldiers alike, along with civilians of Mariupol, was critical to her release.

She chooses her words carefully when discussing the day she was taken captive, and is even more cautious when discussing the prison for fear of endangering the Ukrainians still there.

But she is unequivocal about the impact of the video released by the AP.

"You got this flash drive out and I thank you," she said in Kyiv to an AP team that included the journalists in Mariupol. "Because of you, I could leave this hell. Thanks to everyone involved in the exchange."

She still feels guilty about those she left behind and said she will try her best to help free them.

"They are all I think about," she said. "Every time I grab a cup of coffee or light a cigarette, my conscience pains me because they can't."

Taira, 53, is one of thousands of Ukrainians believed to have been taken prisoner by Russian forces. The Geneva Conventions single out medics, both military and civilian, for protection "in all circumstance."

Taira is an outsized personality in Ukraine, famed for her work training field medics and instantly recognizable by her shock of blond hair and the tattoos that circle both arms. Her release was announced by Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy.

Despite the physical change and all she has endured, she is still vibrant. She smokes constantly, lighting one cigarette after another as if trying to make up for the three months she had none. She speaks quietly, without malice, and her frequent smiles light her face deep into her brown eyes.

A demobilized military medic who suffered back and hip injuries long before the Russian invasion, Taira is also a member of the Ukraine's Invictus Games team. She received the body camera in 2021 to film for a Netflix documentary series on inspirational figures being produced by Britain's Prince Harry, who founded the games.

But when Russian forces invaded in February, she trained the lens on scenes of war in Mariupol.

"My heart bleeds when I think about it, when I remember how the city died. It died like a person — it was agonizing," she said. "It feels like when a person is dying, and you can't do anything to help, the same way."

At one point, Taira gathered a group of 20 people hiding in her hospital's basement, mostly children, into a small bus to take them away from Mariupol. That's when the Russians saw her.

"They recognized me. They went away, made a call, came back," she said. "As far as I can tell, they already had a plan."

She appeared five days later on a Russian news broadcast that announced her capture. On the video, Taira looks groggy, and her face is bruised. As she reads a statement prepared for her, a voiceover derides her as a Nazi.

Inside the prison, they were forced to sing the Russian national anthem every day — twice, three times, sometimes 20 or 30 times if guards didn't like their behavior. She hates the anthem even more now, but talks about it with a flash of humor and defiance.

"I found it a plus because I've always wanted to learn to sing — then suddenly I had the time and a reason to practice," she said. "And it turns out that I can sing."

After endless, repetitive putrid weeks broken only by salt-free porridge with bacon, packets of reconstituted mashed potatoes, cabbage soup, and some canned fish, Taira found herself in the 10-by 20-foot cell with 21 other women, 10 cots and very little else. They were held in a maximum security prison with no trial and no conviction.

She won't go into details about how they were treated, but said they had no information about their families, no toothbrushes, few chances to wash. Her health started to fail.

"I'm not 20 years old anymore and this body can take less than it used to," she said ruefully. "The treatment was very hard, very rough. The women and I were all exhausted."

Taira's experience is consistent with Russia's repeated violations of international humanitarian law on how to treat detained civilians and prisoners of war, said Oleksandra Matviichuk, head of Ukraine's Center for Civil Liberties.

Her husband, Vadim Puzanov, said Taira remained fundamentally the same despite three months of captivity and is open about what she endured.

"Perhaps there will be long-term consequences, but she is full of plans," he said. "She is moving on."

Asked if she had feared death in captivity, Taira said it was a question her jailers asked often, and she had a ready answer.

"I said no because I'm right with God," she told them. "But you are definitely going to hell."



FACT #341
The folks who brought us Reddi-wip whipped cream had another brainstorm in the 1960s: Reddi-Bacon.

FACT #84
A cardigan worn by a man is sometimes called a mandigan.

FACT #147
When someone uses chitchat, noises, or mannerisms to distract or mislead an opponent during poker or another game, it's called "coffeehousing."

FACT #178
Genuphobia is the fear of knees.

FACT #238
Actress Marilyn Monroe colored her hair using a shade of blond called dirty pillow slip.

FACT #279
Before Sir Thomas More was beheaded in 1535, he moved his lengthy beard aside, saying it "had never committed any treason."



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FACT #408
Joe Charbonneau, a Belvedere, Ill., native, who played outfield for the Cleveland Indians in the early '80s , used to open beer bottles with his eye socket and drink beer through a straw in his nose.

FACT #459
When actor Clint Eastwood ran for mayor of Carmel, California, in 1986, a major issue was ice cream. Town leaders had banned the sale of ice cream cones, incensing Eastwood and his supporters. They won and overturned the ordinance.

BUSINESS

Prime Day eyed to boost Amazon post-pandemic

Big annual 2-day sales event arrives amid overall slowdown in online retail

By Haleluya Hadero
Associated Press

Amazon headed into its annual Prime Day sales event on Tuesday much differently than how it entered the pandemic.

The company has long used the two-day event — one of its biggest all year — to lure people to its Prime membership, for which Amazon recently raised the price to $139 a year from $119 a year.

Amazon doesn't disclose total Prime Day sales, though research firm Insider Intelligence suggests sales could climb to about $7.76 billion in the U.S. alone — or 16.8% over last year — in part because of the event's mid-July timing, which compared to last year's June date would allow the company to capture more consumers doing back-to-school shopping.

Amazon could use the boost amid a slowdown in overall online sales. Once the darling of the pandemic economy, the company posted a rare quarterly loss in April as well as its slowest rate of revenue growth in nearly two decades — at 7%. Inflation had added roughly $2 billion in costs.

Amazon also acknowledged it had too many workers and expects its excess capacity from its massive warehouse expansion during the pandemic to total $10 billion in extra costs for the first half of this year.

"It's causing pain at the moment, and that pain is considerable," said Neil Saunders, the managing director of GlobalData Retail.

It's quite a reversal from the early days of the pandemic when the e-commerce giant's profits soared as homebound shoppers turned to online shopping to avoid contracting the coronavirus.

The demand was so high that Amazon nearly doubled its workforce in the last two years to more than 1.6 million people.

It also increased its warehouse capacity to match the avalanche of orders flooding its site. By the end of 2021, Amazon had leased and owned roughly 387.1 million square feet of space for its warehouses and data centers — more than double what it reported in 2019.

Then the worst of the pandemic eased. Americans felt more comfortable leaving their homes, and demand also slowed across the board. The retail sector's online sales growth in the U.S., which spiked to 36.4% in 2020, returned to more normal growth in 2021 and 2022, clocking in at 17.8% and 9.4% respectively, according to Insider Intelligence.

Retail sales figures for June, due to be released Friday, will shed more light on how e-commerce is faring. The most recent figures from May showed online sales falling 1% while overall retail sales declined 0.3% from April amid skyrocketing inflation.

Saunders said the excess capacity is likely to be a short-term problem for Amazon, which he points out has continued to take steps to grow its retail business and draw more sellers to its service.

To fix its warehousing woes, CEO Andy Jassy said in May the company was going to let some of its leases expire and defer construction on others.

Amazon is also subleasing warehouses to cut costs.



The Federal Aviation Administration is allowing some drone operators to fly the machines beyond their line of sight. **MATT O'BRIEN/AP 2021**

Farther than the eye can see

New frontier for commercial drones involves letting them fly out of sight of their pilots

By Matt O'Brien and Nathan Ellgren
Associated Press

REMINGTON, Va. — For years, there's been a cardinal rule for flying civilian drones: Keep them within your line of sight. Not just because it's a good idea — it's also the law.

But some drones have recently gotten permission to soar out of sight. They can now inspect high-voltage power lines across the forested Great Dismal Swamp in Virginia. They're tracking endangered sea turtles off Florida's coast and monitoring seaports in the Netherlands and railroads from New Jersey to the rural West.

Aviation authorities in the U.S. and elsewhere are preparing to relax some of the safeguards imposed to regulate the recent boom in off-the-shelf consumer drones. Businesses want simpler rules for new commercial applications, although privacy advocates and some airplane and balloon pilots remain wary.

For now, a small but growing group of power companies, railways and delivery services like Amazon are leading the way with special permission to fly drones "beyond visual line of sight." As of early July, the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration had approved 230 such waivers — one of them to Virginia-based Dominion Energy for inspecting its network of power plants and transmission lines.

"This is the first step of what everybody's expecting with drones," said Adam Lee, Dominion's chief security officer.

That expectation — of small drones with little human oversight delivering packages, assessing home insurance claims or buzzing around on nighttime security patrols — has driven the FAA's work this year to craft new safety guidelines meant to further integrate drones into the national airspace.

The FAA said it is still reviewing how it will roll out routine operations enabling some drones to fly beyond visual line of sight, although it has signaled that the permissions will be reserved for commercial applications, not hobbyists.

"Our ultimate goal is you shouldn't need a waiver for this process at all. It becomes an accepted practice," said Adam Bry, CEO of California drone-maker Skydio, which is supplying its drones to Dominion, railroad company BNSF and other customers with permission to fly beyond line of sight.

"The more autonomous the drones become, the more they can just be instantly available anywhere they could possibly be useful," Bry said.

Part of that involves deciding how much to trust that drones won't crash into people or other aircraft when their operators aren't looking. Other new rules will require drones to carry remote identification to track their whereabouts.

Not everyone is enthused about the pending rules. Pilots of hot air balloons and other lightweight aircraft warn that crashes will follow if the FAA allows largely autonomous delivery drones the right of way at low altitudes.

Broader concerns come from civil liberties groups that say protecting people's privacy should be a bigger priority.

"There is a greater chance that you'll have drones flying over your house or your backyard as these beyond-visual-line-of-sight drone operations increase," said Jeramie Scott, a senior counsel at the Electronic Privacy Information Center who sat on the FAA's advisory group working to craft new drone rules. "It'll be much harder to know who to complain to."

London's Heathrow sets daily passenger cap

Associated Press

LONDON — London's Heathrow Airport is capping daily passenger numbers for the summer and telling airlines to stop selling tickets as it steps up efforts to quell travel chaos caused by soaring travel demand and staff shortages.

Britain's busiest airport said Tuesday that it's setting a limit of 100,000 passengers that it can handle each day through Sept. 11. The restriction is likely to result in more canceled flights even after airlines already slashed thousands of flights from their summer schedules.

U.K. aviation authorities demanded that airlines ensure they can operate without disruption over the summer, with carriers not punished for not using their valuable takeoff and landing slots. They were responding to chaotic airport scenes as passengers complained about long lines at security checkpoints, lost luggage and lengthy flight delays.

Even with that allowance, Heathrow, which had warned a day earlier that it may ask airlines to cut flights further, said it still expected more passengers than airport ground staff could handle.

"Some airlines have taken significant action, but others have not, and we believe that further action is needed now to ensure passengers have a safe and reliable journey," Heathrow CEO John Holland-Kaye said in an open letter to passengers.

Airlines are expected to operate flights over the summer with an overall daily capacity of 104,000 seats, or 4,000 more than Heathrow can handle, the airport said. Only about 1,500 of the 4,000 extra daily seats have been sold to passengers.

British Airways, the airline with the biggest presence at Heathrow, has already cut 11% of its scheduled flights between April and October.

Other European airports have imposed similar caps this summer. Booming demand for summer travel after two years of COVID-19 travel restrictions have overwhelmed European airlines and airports that had laid off tens of thousands of pilots, cabin crew, check-in staff, ground crew and baggage handlers amid the depths of the pandemic.

Peloton to outsource and suspend production

By Michelle Chapman
Associated Press

Peloton will stop making its own interactive stationary bikes and treadmills, outsourcing those duties to a Taiwanese manufacturer as it attempts to revive sales that surged during the pandemic.

The New York City company, which recorded its only profitable quarters during the pandemic, is seeking to lower costs after sales slid when gyms began to reopen and cheaper knockoffs entered the market.

It will suspend manufacturing operations at the Tonic Fitness Technology plant in Taiwan for the rest of the year.

Peloton's strategy was to bring manufacturing in-house, believing that if sales remained robust it would reduce costs and avoid shipping complications. Sales growth doubled in 2020 and it ramped up production.

However, after three consecutive profitable quarters in 2020, at the height of the pandemic, it began to lose money in the first quarter of 2021 and has continued to do so.

Other manufacturers, seeing Peloton's success, stepped in to build cheaper interactive bikes and treadmills, leaving Peloton with a growing inventory of unsold equipment.

In February the company announced a major restructuring and abandoned plans to open its first U.S. factory in Ohio, which would have employed 2,000 workers. Co-founder John Foley stepped down as CEO and the company announced nearly 3,000 job cuts.

The company reported mounting losses and stagnating sales in its most recent quarter. It also offered a bleak sales outlook for the current quarter and signed a commitment to borrow hundreds of millions of dollars.

BUSINESS BRIEFING

China regulators to return money

TAIPEI, Taiwan — Financial regulators in central China's Henan and Anhui provinces promised to give some bank customers some of their deposits back after a protest over their frozen accounts Sunday turned violent.

In statements issued late Monday, officials said customers with deposits of about $7,400 or less would be reimbursed. They said others with larger bank balances would get their money back at a later, unspecified date.

Thousands of customers opened accounts at the banks in Henan and Anhui that offered relatively high interest rates. They later found they could not make withdrawals after media reports that the head of the banks' parent company was wanted for financial crimes.

Apple fined over Russian data law

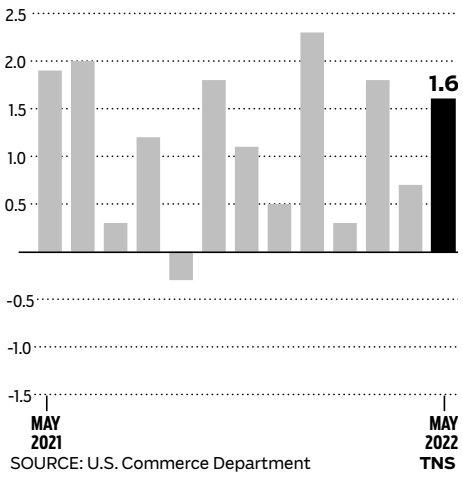
A Moscow court on Tuesday fined Apple about $34,000 for refusing to store the personal data of Russian users on servers in Russia, part of government efforts to control online activity.

The Russian government has been trying for years to establish greater control over the internet and social media, an effort that has intensified in recent months as it tries to limit the flow of information about the war in Ukraine.

For years, Russia's communications regulatory agency, Roskomnadzor, has tried to force large technology companies to move the data of Russian users to servers in Russia. Google, Facebook and Twitter have all been accused of violating the 2015 law and ordered to pay fines.

Manufacturing orders

New orders of all goods, monthly percent change, seasonally adjusted



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BUSINESS



Spectators tour the "Beyond Van Gogh" exhibit Thursday at the Hard Rock casino in Atlantic City, N.J. The exhibit digitally projects more than 300 of Van Gogh's works. **WAYNE PARRY/AP**

Casinos double down on art in bid to draw more patrons

By Wayne Parry
Associated Press

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. — The Louvre, the Museum of Modern Art and — the Hard Rock?

Hoping to expand their appeal beyond the slot machine and buffet crowd, some casinos are turning to fine art galleries or exhibitions to bring in new business from customers who might not otherwise visit a gambling hall.

In the process, they are helping not only broaden their own customer bases, but are also putting new eyeballs in front of some of the world's great works of art.

One such effort began Friday at Atlantic City's Hard Rock casino, where the highly acclaimed "Beyond Van Gogh: The Immersive Experience" exhibit opened. The 30,000-square-foot display uses over 300 of Van Gogh's works, reproducing them digitally and projecting them onto screens, walls and floors, with images growing and flowing into one another.

"The whole point of an experience like this is to bring people in," said Fanny Curtat, the exhibit's art historian. "For a lot of people, museums are intimidating. It's all about exploring and having more ways of experiencing art."

Joe Lupo, the casino's president, said casinos need to appeal to as broad a range of potential customers as possible.

"You need to try different experiential things to help the city acquire new visitation, whether it's art or some other experience to acquire that person who doesn't look at Atlantic City as just a gaming destination," he said. "The Van Gogh exhibit has been successful in every major market in the country, and Atlantic City needs to be looked at as one of those major markets. I think it elevates the city and the property with such a high-profile exhibit."

Other casinos are doing likewise. The Bellagio Gallery of Fine Art in Las Vegas has displayed works by Picasso, Monet, Warhol, Titian and Van Gogh.

The Palms Casino Resort features modern art pieces from Jean-Michel Basquiat, Richard Prince and Andy Warhol, and numerous street artists.

MGM's Aria Resort features public art including sculptures by artists including Antony Gormley, Richard Long and Henry Moore.

The Hippodrome Casino in London in 2013 appointed a digital-artist-in-residence, Thomas D Gray, and offers a competition for U.K. artists to have their works displayed there.

Maryland's Live! Casino & Hotel has an art collection curated by Suzi Cordish, whose husband owns the casino. The collection includes more than 40 works by artists including Warhol, Jennifer Steinkamp, Charlie Ahn, Robert Indiana and Not Vital.

"Many guests are intrigued once they realize the breadth of the collection," said Renee Mutchnik, a spokesperson for the casino. "We believe that any appreciator of the arts would be impressed by our art pieces, and we are always looking for opportunities to promote the collection."

US labor shortage provides opportunity for ex-prisoners

By Michael Goldberg
Associated Press



Incarcerated at 15, Antonio McGowan says he had limited prospects following his release from a Mississippi prison in 2014 after serving 17 years. **ROGELIO V. SOLIS/AP**

JACKSON, Miss. — When Antonio McGowan left the Mississippi State Penitentiary at Parchman after serving 17 years, he was free for the first time since he was 15. But as an adult finally out from behind bars, he immediately found himself confined to menial labor.

McGowan needed stable work, for a paycheck and to keep busy, but temporary gigs were all he could find.

Just as those around him counseled the importance of maintaining a routine, he became trapped in a cycle of odd jobs and irregular hours. He trimmed grass one week and painted a house the next.

But he couldn't land anything full time, and the unpredictability of his income proved challenging. Disconnection notices and unpaid bills piled up.

"Things weren't in place," McGowan said. "They weren't where I wanted them to be as far as being an individual back in society. It was a struggle."

After several years adrift, McGowan was finally able to regain his footing with the help of the Hinds County Reentry Program, a workforce training program for former inmates created in October. Reentry programs are one way employers are trying to fill some of the 11.3 million open jobs in the U.S. amid a dire national labor shortage.

The practice of employing people with a criminal record is known as "second-chance hiring."

In rosier economic times, many former prisoners faced steep obstacles to finding work. The labor shortage sparked by the COVID-19 pandemic now presents them with opportunities, said Eric Beamon, a recruiter for MagCor, a company that provides job training to people in Mississippi correctional facilities.

"We think the pandemic, in a sense, was a big help," Beamon said. "If no one wants to work anymore or if everyone wants to work from home, employers are begging for employees."

Some studies have shown that stable jobs are a major factor in reducing recidivism.

Still, not everyone is willing to hire an ex-convict, and a lack of job opportunities for those with a criminal record is still stymieing workforce participation in the economy, Stephanie Ferguson, a senior manager of employment policy at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, wrote in a May report.

According to the National Conference of State Legislatures, barriers faced by people with felony convictions were linked to a loss of at least 1.7 million employees from the workforce and a cost of at least $78 billion to the economy in 2014, the year that McGowan left prison.

The current desperate straits in which employers now find themselves could help spur a change. In a 2021 survey conducted by the Society for Human Resource Management, the SHRM Foundation and the Charles Koch Institute, 53% of human resource professionals said they would be willing to hire people with criminal records — up from just 37% in 2018.

That's where programs like Hinds County Reentry and MagCor step in, helping to make former inmates more desirable as candidates by properly training them to reintegrate into society and matching them with jobs tailored to their skills and interests.

McGowan said he'd like to work in air conditioning and heating repair, and the program's staff members recommended him to Upchurch Services, a Mississippi-based company that allows workers to take classes in repair services while gaining experience in the field. McGowan was hired the second week of May.

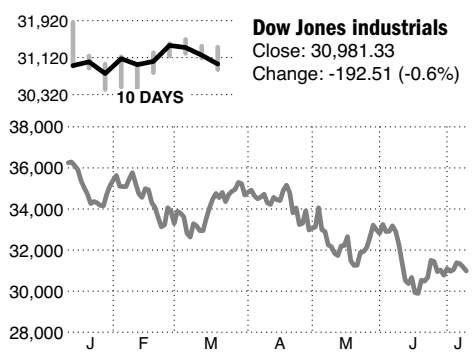
He makes $15 per hour, working 40 hours per week with paid overtime. He said he has full health care coverage — and he loves the work.

"Summer, winter, spring or fall, you'll need either heat or air conditioning," he said. "So I found something I can help people out with. At the same time, it can keep me in the working class, so I don't fall back into the things I used to do."

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Dow Jones industrials
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Domestic Indexes

	CLOSE	CHG.	YTD
DOW Indus.	30,981.33	-192.51	-14.74%
DOW Trans.	13,171.95	-73.79	-20.06%
DOW Util.	960.72	-6.23	-2.05%
NYSE Comp.	14,395.04	-107.40	-16.13%
Nasdaq Comp.	11,264.73	-107.87	-28.00%
S&P 500	3,818.80	-35.63	-19.88%
S&P 400	2,289.53	-4.18	-19.44%
Wilshire 5000	37,994.78	-330.68	-21.60%
Russell 2000	1,728.18	-3.83	-23.03%

Commodities

FUELS	CLOSE	PREV.	YTD
Crude Oil (bbl)	95.84	104.09	+27.43%
Natural Gas (mm btu)	6.16	6.43	+65.23%
Unleaded Gas (gal)	3.26	3.46	+46.51%
METALS	**CLOSE**	**PREV.**	**YTD**
Gold (oz)	1,723.30	1,730.00	-5.70%
Silver (oz)	18.90	19.07	-18.99%

(Previous and change figures reflect current contract.)

Foreign Exchange

	ForEx in U.S. $	U.S. $ in ForEx
Britain	1.1901	.8403
Canada	.7687	1.3008
China	.1487	6.7248
Euro	1.0045	.9955
Japan	.007311	136.77
Mexico	.048031	20.8199

Money Rates

	CLOSE	PREV. WK.
Prime rate	4.75	4.75
3-mo. T-Bill	2.20	1.89
6-mo. T-Bill	2.76	2.57
5-yr T-Note	3.01	2.82
10-yr T-Note	2.95	2.81
30-yr T-Bond	3.13	3.03

Global Markets

	CLOSE	CHG.	%CHG.	%YTD
Frankfurt	12,905.48	+73.04	+.57%	-18.76%
London	7,209.86	+13.27	+.18%	-2.37%
Hong Kong	20,844.74	-279.46	-1.32%	-10.91%
Nikkei	26,336.66	-475.64	-1.77%	-8.53%

Stocks of Local Interest

STOCK (TICKER)	CLOSE	CHG.	YTD %CHG
AMC Entertainment A (AMC)	15.60	+.65	-42.6
AT&T Inc (T)	20.60	-.06	-16.3
Adv Micro Dev (AMD)	76.36	-.59	-46.9
Akanda Corp (AKAN)	.90	+.12	...
Amazon.com Inc (AMZN)	109.22	-2.53	-34.5
American Airlines Gp (AAL)	14.77	+1.34	-17.8
Amphenol Corp (APH)	64.38	-.59	-26.4
Annaly Capital Mgmt (NLY)	6.08	+.02	-22.3
Apple Inc (AAPL)	145.86	+.99	-17.9
Avangrid Inc (AGR)	45.44	-.27	-8.9
Bank of America (BAC)	31.36	-.10	-29.5
Barnes Group (B)	30.82	+.37	-33.8
Barrick Gold (GOLD)	16.44	-.54	-13.5
Blue Hat Interactive (BHAT)	3.31	+.61	-23.6
Booking Holdings (BKNG)	1738.25	+13.70	-27.5
Brist Myr Sqb (BMY)	75.01	-.55	+20.3
CVS Health Corp (CVS)	94.98	+.27	-7.9
Carnival Corp (CCL)	9.13	+.64	-54.6
Carrier Global Corp (CARR)	36.13	-.40	-33.4
Charter Communic (CHTR)	468.10	+14.71	-28.2
Cigna Corp (CI)	279.35	-.56	+21.7
Comcast Corp A (CMCSA)	39.75	+.58	-21.0
Delta Air Lines (DAL)	31.09	+1.80	-20.4
Disney (DIS)	93.60	-.04	-39.6
EMCOR Group Inc (EME)	101.02	-1.04	-20.7
Endo Intl plc (ENDP)	.41	-.10	-89.1
Ethan Allen (ETD)	21.12	+.04	-19.7
Eversource Energy (ES)	83.38	-.34	-8.4
Biofem Biosciences (EVFM)	1.24	+.13	-78.0
Exela Technologies (XELA)	.09	-.01	-89.4
First Wave BioPharm (FWBI)	.22	+.01	-84.6
Ford Motor (F)	11.56	+.27	-44.3
Freeport McMoRan (FCX)	26.30	-.61	-37.0
FuelCell Energy (FCEL)	3.94	-.09	-24.2
Gen Dynamics (GD)	216.63	-3.12	+3.9
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Hartford Fn Sv (HIG)	64.93	-.17	-6.0
Honeywell Intl (HON)	173.61	+.77	-16.7
Horizon Tech Fin (HRZN)	11.89	...	-25.3
Infosys Ltd (INFY)	18.21	-.25	-28.1
Intel Corp (INTC)	37.21	+.01	-27.7
Kaman (KAMN)	29.52	+.03	-31.6
Trans W Ent (KSPN)	5.28	-1.53	-49.4
Keycorp (KEY)	17.31	-.10	-25.2

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Lincoln Natl Corp (LNC)	47.80	+.84	-30.0
M&T Bank (MTB)	157.89	-.80	+2.8
MGM Resorts Intl (MGM)	28.91	+.51	-35.6
MetLife Inc (MET)	61.79	-.32	-1.1
Micron Tech (MU)	59.18	+1.37	-36.5
Microsoft Corp (MSFT)	253.67	-10.84	-24.6
Mullen Automotive (MULN)	1.11	-.11	-78.8
New Gold Inc (NGD)	.71	-.25	-52.7
Novartis AG (NVS)	83.94	-.55	-4.0
Nvidia Corporation (NVDA)	150.82	-.70	-48.7
Occid Petl (OXY)	57.37	-2.15	+97.9
Oramed Pharma (ORMP)	8.44	-.22	-40.9
Otis Worldwide Corp (OTIS)	68.84	-.16	-20.9
Palantir Technol (PLTR)	9.49	-.07	-47.9
Pfizer Inc (PFE)	52.04	-.85	-11.9
Pitney Bowes (PBI)	3.62	+.08	-45.4
Prudential Fncl (PRU)	96.02	-.08	-11.3
Pub Svc Ent Gp (PEG)	61.74	-.74	-7.5
Raytheon Technolog (RTX)	94.50	-.21	+9.8
Rogers Corp (ROG)	259.00	-1.00	-5.1
Roblox Corp (RBLX)	38.22	-.19	-63.0
SS&C Technlogies (SSNC)	58.33	-.61	-28.8
Snap Inc A (SNAP)	14.04	-.02	-70.1
Sthwstn Energy (SWN)	5.84	-.19	+25.3
Stanley Black & Deck (SWK)	107.28	-1.49	-43.1
Starwood Prop Trust (STWD)	21.48	-.04	-11.6
Sundial Growers Inc (SNDL)	.32	+.00	-45.3
Terex Corp (TEX)	28.40	+.62	-35.4
Tesla Inc (TSLA)	699.21	-3.82	-33.8
Transocean Ltd (RIG)	2.75	-.18	-.4
Travelers Cos (TRV)	165.28	-3.24	+5.7
T2 Biosystems (TTOO)	.15	...	-70.3
Twitter Inc (TWTR)	34.06	+1.41	-21.2
United Rentals (URI)	250.98	+1.65	-24.5
UnitedHealth Group (UNH)	514.42	-2.53	+2.4
Virtus Invest (VRTS)	172.55	+5.06	-41.9
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Webster Financial (WBS)	43.26	+.46	-22.5
White Mtns Insur (WTM)	1244.47	-2.74	+22.7
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OPINION

Maybe you've been lucky enough to evade COVID-19

By Faye Flam
Bloomberg Opinion

There's a trend for experts who've yet to test positive for COVID-19 to explain their disease virginity on social media, detailing all the steps they've taken to evade the increasingly pervasive virus. COVID-19 virginity is becoming more special now that it describes a shrinking minority. The lucky few, like weight-loss gurus, are only too happy to share their secrets to success.

Some sound reasonable, such as virologist Angela Rasmussen, who tweeted that despite resuming travel to conferences, she's remained uninfected by wearing high-quality masks when warranted, skipping the hotel gym, eating outdoors and walking instead of cabbing if possible.

Others are more extreme, such as the expert who tweeted that, among other measures, he sealed his N95 tightly on his face for the entire trip from the U.S. to Australia. He never removed it even to take a sip of water.

One piece of advice almost no one is giving? Be lucky. Pediatrician Neil Stone says that there's no "secret" for staying COVID-19 free because there's just too much luck involved.

He has a point. Oncologist and epidemiologist Vinay Prasad of the University of California, San Francisco, said he "did everything wrong" and still hasn't had COVID-19. He's like those people who stay skinny while eating all kinds of junk food.

As for me, I have some data that can, to an extent, quantify and explain my own good luck in avoiding COVID-19 so far. I'm participating in a study on immunity that allowed me to learn that my blood still carries antibodies induced by my vaccine and December booster shot, and no signs of any prior infection. Not everyone's antibodies wane at the same rate, and in some people, the antibodies don't wane much at all. (At some point it should become routine to collect this information to help people decide whether to get additional booster shots.)

My level of vaccine antibodies probably explains my success more than my behavior. I make some effort to avoid COVID-19, but have been far from perfect. And I've been potentially exposed at least twice: Once last December, when someone at a small holiday gathering I'd attended developed symptoms the next day, and more recently, when I shared a large indoor space with two people who later tested positive. But according to my lab work, I've never had even a silent infection.

It's possible I was protected by my antibodies, or that some quirk of airflow meant I never breathed in enough virus to get sick. Or perhaps I benefited from a different form of luck. There's another facet to immunity called the innate immune system, which acts as a first line of defense and sometimes knocks out a virus or other pathogen before it replicates enough to elicit the production of antibodies. Good innate immunity might help explain something many of us have experienced — not getting a cold or flu even when sleeping in the same bed with the sick person through the whole illness.

Stress, diet, general health and even sunlight might all affect innate immunity. So could other factors. There's so much we still don't know about the immune system. And that's one reason we talk about "luck." Yes, people like me are lucky — but understanding how the luck works could help other people avoid COVID-19, whether for the first time or for the second or third time. Taking a closer look at what passed for luck helped researchers like Gary Taubes discover that public health had obesity all wrong, and standard high carb/low fat diets were leading to weight gain.

I expect that BA.5 will be the one that gets me, since it's growing in the U.S., and it's better than any other variant at sliding past antibodies induced by past infections or vaccines. But until then, I can still tell you how I've managed to stay thin.

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Abe's dream now belongs to Kishida

By Gearoid Reidy
Bloomberg Opinion



Japan's former Foreign Minister Fumio Kishida, left, and Prime Minister Shinzo Abe celebrate after the Liberal Democratic Party's leadership election. Kishida replaced Yoshihide Suga as prime minister in 2021. Abe was assassinated last Friday. **EUGENE HOSHIKO/POOL VIA AP 2020**

In the specter of Shinzo Abe's shocking assassination, the party to which he dedicated his life secured a resounding victory in Sunday's upper-house election.

Now Fumio Kishida, Abe's sometimes rival, long-serving foreign minister and now successor, must use his mandate to secure what Abe never could: the ruling Liberal Democratic Party's long-held goal of constitutional reform.

The 75-year-old constitution, written by the occupying American army and forbidding Japan the right to possess an offensive military force, has not once been altered despite the best efforts of generations of Japanese politicians, including Abe. Before he was murdered on the campaign trail last week, Abe was the movement's most prominent voice, and lobbied to the end for his long-held goal.

"If Japan was invaded from overseas, it would be the Self-Defense Forces fighting at the risk of their lives. But nowhere are they mentioned in the constitution," Abe said days before his murder. "I am committed to changing that situation."

Even now, after Russia's invasion of Ukraine brought home the reality of the use of force, many dismiss the need for change. The Self-Defense Forces exist even though a literal reading of the constitution says they should not. Cabinet reinterpretations of the document, most recently in 2015, have just about kept its security clauses relevant.

Kishida undoubtedly has other issues on his agenda. Pressure will likely increase on him to consider measures to contain a growing COVID-19 wave. He must also deal with rising inflation, the weak yen, repairing relations with South Korea and myriad questions about security that Japan will be asking itself in the wake of Abe's death.

But the need for constitutional change should not be understated. The most pressing concern is a Ukraine-like situation; confusion in a crisis moment must be minimized. Imagine a Chinese invasion of the Senkakus — the islands administered by Japan which China also claims and regularly patrols that are supposedly under the protection of the Japan-U.S. Security Treaty — at a time when a less Japan-friendly administration than Joe Biden's is in the White House. Japan must be able to respond by itself.

Indeed, there are parallels between the illusions of security Japan believes it has despite the constitution, and the confidence Japan had in the safety of its society that may have contributed to Abe's death.

Just as for years Japan has felt as if it's a society free of violence — the type of place high-profile politicians can hold stump speeches with minimal security — it has also seemed to believe in a world where force no longer settles international disputes. That first illusion was shattered by Abe's death on Friday. The second surely ended in February with Russia's invasion of Ukraine. Yet Japan clings to its peace constitution in an increasingly hostile world.

Both ideas confuse the results of decades of good fortune for appropriate policy. The position of the Self-Defense Forces may one day seem as flimsy as the special protection that was supposedly guarding Abe.

Unlike the late premier, Kishida has never been a forceful proponent of constitutional change. Indeed, there is confusion over where he even stands on the issue. Since becoming prime minister, Kishida's rhetoric has moved toward change, but many speculate this was just political cover against Abe, who led the largest faction in the ruling party until his death.

It's precisely this lack of devotion to the issue that makes Kishida the man who can do what Abe did not. Many in Japan were skeptical of Abe's nationalist, even revisionist tendencies, but Kishida has little such baggage.

Fundamentally, a constitution must be a living document. Cabinet interpretations may have kept it relevant, but these days one doesn't need to look too far abroad to see how a society can fragment when a dead document is exposed to reinterpretation by partisan politics. Just look at the U.S. and its inability to move forward on legislation on everything from abortion to gun control.

The LDP has been campaigning on constitutional revision for decades but, perhaps wisely, has tended to see it as an idea that should not yet be put to the test. At some point, though, the LDP must turn it from a vague aspiration to an actual goal. Much like balancing the budget, it can't be something that is always talked about and never acted upon, precisely the type of "all talk but no action" that turns people off politics.

Those who say Kishida's victory in Sunday's elections does not constitute a mandate may have a point. Upper-house votes typically have a very low turnout; that Sunday's was not the lowest in history may only be due to Abe's murder.

But Kishida now has time to lead, having won three elections in a row — party, lower and upper houses since his predecessor Yoshihide Suga resigned last September. Among the reasons that Abe's death was so shocking was because, as a leader, he made the difficult decisions. From the sales tax hikes to the Trans-Pacific Partnership to changes to security legislation, he bore the brunt of public dissatisfaction with unpopular but necessary moves.

Those accomplishments will resonate for decades, having helped set Japan on a better course. Kishida, whose time in power has so far been more like an extended audition for the role, must now start to make these hard calls himself. He need look no further than Abe's cherished goal as a place to start.

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Cryptocurrencies are crashing. So where are regulators to be found?



Paul Krugman

When the Federal Reserve speaks, it speaks in Fedspeak. A pithy turn of phrase or a striking metaphor can all too easily turn into a headline, causing big market moves and a public backlash. So dry technical language and euphemisms are usually the way to go.

Given this reality, the bluntness of a recent speech on crypto regulation by Lael Brainard, the Fed vice chair, is almost shocking.

True, Brainard didn't go as far as Jim Chanos, the famous short-seller, who called crypto a "predatory junkyard." But she came close. The very first heading in her remarks was, "Distinguishing Responsible Innovation From Regulatory Evasion," and she strongly suggested that much of the crypto universe is driven by the latter. Traditional banking is regulated for a reason; crypto, in bypassing these regulations, she said, has created an environment subject to bank runs, not to mention "theft, hacks and ransom attacks" — plus "money laundering and financing of terrorism."

Other than that, it's all good.

The thing is, most of Brainard's litany has been obvious for some time to independent observers. So why are we only now hearing serious calls for regulation?

Cryptocurrencies have been around since 2009, and in all this time they have never come to play a major role in real-world transactions — El Salvador's much-hyped attempt to make bitcoin its national currency has become a debacle.

So how did cryptocurrencies come to be worth almost $3 trillion at their peak? (Two-thirds of that value has now vanished.) Why was nothing done to rein in stablecoins, which were supposedly pegged to the U.S. dollar but were clearly subject to all the risks of unregulated banking, and are now experiencing a cascading series of collapses reminiscent of the wave of bank failures that helped make the Great Depression great?

My answer is that while the crypto industry has never managed to come up with products that are much use in the real economy, it has been spectacularly successful at marketing itself, creating an image of being both cutting edge and respectable. It has done so, in particular, by cultivating prominent people and institutions.

I'm not talking here about the embrace of crypto by libertarians and MAGA-types, nor am I talking about embarrassing episodes like that crypto ad starring Matt Damon. What strikes me, instead, is the extent to which crypto has gained a reputation for respectability through association with high-status institutions and individuals.

Suppose, for example, that you use a digital payments app like Venmo, which has amply demonstrated its usefulness for real-world transactions (you can even use it to buy produce at sidewalk fruit stands). Well, if you go to Venmo's home page, you encounter an invitation to use the app to "begin your crypto journey"; in the app itself, a "Crypto" tab appears right after "Home" and "Cards." Surely, then, crypto must be serious business.

Suppose you want to learn about crypto. Many famous universities offer programs, typically online subscription courses.

Suppose you want to know who's advising major players in the crypto industry. Well, the board of Digital Currency Group, one of the biggest players, includes a co-chair of the Brookings Institution's board of trustees and boasts a former Treasury secretary as an adviser.

Given this aura of mainstream approval, how many people would have been willing to believe that the digital emperor had no clothes? More to the point, how many would have been willing to accept a regulatory crackdown?

Why were these mainstream institutions and people lending cover to what is, as Brainard made clear, a highly dubious industry? I doubt there was any corruption (as opposed to what goes on in the crypto sector itself, which is overrun with fraudsters). Indeed, I know from personal experience that one can draw a paycheck doing what seems like honest work and find out only later that the people signing the check were scammers.

Still, there clearly were and are financial rewards involved. I don't know how much money Venmo makes from people buying and selling crypto on its platform, but it's certainly not offering the service out of sheer goodwill. If you want to take, say, Massachusetts Institute of Technology's online blockchain course, it will cost you $3,500.

The way I see it, crypto evolved into a sort of postmodern pyramid scheme. The industry lured investors in with a combination of technobabble and libertarian derp; it used some of that cash flow to buy the illusion of respectability, which brought in even more investors.

And for a while, even as the risks multiplied, it became, in effect, too big to regulate.

One way to read Brainard's speech is that she was saying that the crypto crash offers an opportunity — a moment in which effective regulation has become politically possible. And she urges us to take advantage of this moment, before crypto stops being a mere casino and becomes a threat to financial stability.

That's very good advice. I hope the Fed and other policymakers take it.

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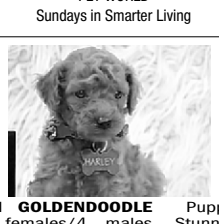
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INVITATION TO RESPOND

RFR #: 5975RR SOLICITATION DATE: July 13, 2022
SOLICITATION TITLE: Downtown Traffic Signal Improvements – Phase I
SOLICITATION DESCRIPTION: The City of Hartford is soliciting bids for the Downtown Traffic Signal Improvements -Phase I State Project No. 63-690, Federal Aid Project No. 000R(771). This project includes a Base Bid and two Bid Alternates.
State Project No. 63-690/Federal Aid Project No. 000R(771) Downtown Traffic Signal Improvements – Phase I Base Bid, includes the complete replacement of traffic control signal equipment at four (4) signalized intersections in the City of Hartford. This includes the following intersections: Main Street at Arch/Welles Street; Main Street at Elm/Sheldon Street; Main Street at Capitol Avenue; Main Street at Buckingham Street/ Charter Oak Avenue.
The two Bid Alternate intersections are Main Street at Church Street (Alternate 1) and Main Street at Pratt Street (Alternate 2).
The project includes installing new traffic control signal equipment; installation of pavement markings and signs; mast arms, new handicapped ramps, and where necessary, minor storm drainage modifications to accommodate pedestrian ramps.
SITE LOCATION (if applicable): Various Intersections
RESPONSE DATE: August 10, 2022
RESPONSE TIME: 2:00 p.m.
DEPT. ASSIGNED CONTRACT #: DPW 21-02
EST. COST OF CONSTRUCTION: $2,000,000 - $4,000,000

SPECIAL NOTES
• A 9% DBE goal for ConnDOT certified firms is applicable to this project. The bidder must indicate with their bid, the DBE firm(s) it intends to utilize and submit the Pre-Award Commitment Approval Request Forms with their bid.
• A 10% bid bond is required for this project.
• Bid will be publically opened and read aloud at the time of the bid deadline.
• The City reserve the right to reject any and all bids.

Companies interested in doing business with the City are able to register and maintain their registration via the Internet at: www.Hartford.gov/procurement/purchasing (click on current solicitations and bid opportunities)
7/13/22 7246901

AT&T Mobility, LLC is proposing to modify an existing wireless telecommunications facility on an existing building located at 886 Main Street, East Hartford, Hartford County, CT. The modifications will consist of replacing antennas at various heights not to exceed 121ft. 10in. on the 114ft tall building (124ft with all appurtenances). Any interested party wishing to submit comments regarding the potential effects the proposed facility may have on any historic property may do so by sending such comments to: Project 6122006057 - KMG EBI Consulting, 21 B Street, Burlington, MA 01803, or at (78)265-9221
7/13/22 7249670

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Meeting of Members of Windsor Federal, MHC will be held at 6:00 PM. on July 20, 2022 at the Administration Office of Windsor Federal, located at 995 Day Hill Road, Windsor, Connecticut 06095 for the following purposes:

1. To elect Directors, and

2. The appointment of Baker Newman & Noyes, LLC as the independent registered public accounting firm for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023.

3. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting, or any adjournments thereof.

Only those Members of Record at the close of business on the 30th day of June, 2022 are entitled to notice of, and to vote at this Annual Meeting.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF WINDSOR FEDERAL, MHC.

Gaye C. Rizzo, Board Secretary

7/6, 7/13/2022 7233160

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TOWN OF GLASTONBURY
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL
TRIPLE COMBINATION RESCUE PUMPERS
RPGL-2023-03
DUE DATE AND TIME: AUGUST 23, 2022 by 11:00 AM

The Town of Glastonbury will be accepting proposals from qualified individuals or firms to provide two (2) Triple Combination Rescue Pumpers. Proposals shall provide technical data for the apparatus to be provided, pricing proposals, and other data necessary in order to determine the best qualified firm.
Interested individuals and firms should obtain the complete RFP and related information from the Town's website at www.glastonburyct.gov. Responses to the Proposal must be submitted electronically no later than the time and date indicated above. LATE PROPOSALS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.
Responses can be submitted at the following link: https://app.negometrix.com/buyer/2832, under the RFP title "RPGL-2023-03 – Triple Combination Rescue Pumpers". Respondents will be required to create a profile before submitting their proposal. Step-by-step instructions on how to register as a vendor are available at this website:
https://help.negometrix.com/en/support/solutions/articles/9000177626-register-on-negometrix4
The Town reserves the right to waive informalities or reject any part of, or the entire proposal, when said action is deemed to be in the best interests of the Town.
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7/13/2022 7249749

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Notice of Public Hearing

The Housing Authority, City of Bristol is amending its 2022-2026 Agency Plan in compliance with the HUD Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998. A Public Hearing will be held on September 2, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. at Gaylord Towers Community Hall located at 55 Gaylord Street, Bristol, CT. Information is available for review and inspection at Housing Authority, City of Bristol, 164 Jerome Ave., Bristol, CT during regular business hours. Please call (860) 582-6313 for an appointment.
7/13/2022 7249346

The Community Health Center Inc. located at 103 West Broad Street Stamford, CT is seeking proposals to remove and replace the existing 40-ton Trane Air Conditioning system with a new 40 ton AC unit or equivalent. The new unit will be installed in a different physical location. A scheduled walk through with an open Q&A session for all interested parties is scheduled for July 15th at 12:00pm. More information surrounding the scope of work will be provided at that time. After the walk through all quotes or additional questions can be sent to Purchasing Director Berwyn Kelley (Kelleyb@chc1.com)
7/12, 7/13, 7/14/2022 7249834

AT&T Mobility, LLC is proposing to modify an existing wireless telecommunications facility on a building located at 100 Retreat Avenue, Hartford, Hartford County, CT. The modifications will consist of the collocation of antennas mounted at a top height of 130 ft above ground level on the 130-ft tall building. Any interested party wishing to submit comments regarding the potential effects the proposed facility may have on any historic property may do so by sending such comments to: Project 6122006084 - JLD EBI Consulting, 21 B Street, Burlington, MA 01803, or at (203) 231-6643.
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Vernon
Ghislaine Godin
West Hartford
Mary R. Bean, CSJ
Harriet Shea

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Please note: not all death notices are in alphabetical order.

OBITUARIES

Bean, CSJ, Mary Rosalie



Sister Mary Rosalie Bean, CSJ (formerly Sister Mary Leo), a member of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Chambéry, West Hartford, CT, entered eternal life on July 10, 2022, at St. Joseph Living Center in Windham, CT. She was born in Vally Lee, MD, on September 5, 1943, to the late Joseph Leo Bean and Helen Genevieve (Redman). Sister entered the Community on August 31, 1961, and celebrated her Profession of Perpetual Vows on July 2, 1969. At the time of her death, Sister was 78 years of age and in her 61st year of Religious Life.

Sister Rosalie earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Education from Diocesan Sisters College, West Hartford, CT, a Master's Degree in Education Administration from Central Connecticut State University, and attended the University of St. Joseph, taking courses in Spiritual Direction. In 1991 she received the Child Advocacy Award from North Central Coalition for Children, INC., and in 2015 the Award of Excellence Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) from the Connecticut Department of Emergency Services and Public Excellence Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security.

Sister Rosalie taught in several schools in the Archdiocese of Hartford and Diocese of Norwich as an educator at heart and an advocate for children's rights. During her teaching career, she served in both the classroom and administrative positions as principal, including St. James School in Stratford and St. Gabriel School in Windsor. Discerning a call to mission, Sister Rosalie went to St. Joseph Sinoe School in Liberia, Africa, in 1973. She loved the adventure and opportunity to apply her special listening skills while challenging students to be and do their best. Raised in a large agricultural family with her 15 siblings, Sister Rosalie felt at home in the vast expanse of Liberia, among families working and living off the land, as did her own family. Unfortunately, illness brought Sister home long before she anticipated.

More teaching assignments awaited Sister Rosalie. She accepted a part-time role as Vocation Director for the Community. Her involvement in the civic community included working with Citizens for a United Windsor and as a consultant for the Religious Education Program at St. Gabriel School. In addition, she collaborated with the Children's Advocacy Center (CAC) Mental Health Association to raise awareness of the standard of care and increase access to services for traumatized children and their families.

Sister Rosalie loved a good time, high-spirited parties, and country music at its best. No gathering was complete until Sister played her latest country CD and had everyone up on their feet on impromptu dance floors. She had an exceptional sensitivity to the seasoned members of her religious community and believed that everyone lives the mission at every stage of life. Sister Rosalie initiated a program called "Chew the Fat," an opportunity for her Sisters to gather, reflect on the daily paper and talk together about the world, national, and local happenings. Sister encouraged their daily prayers for the needs of people everywhere.

We wish to thank the nursing staff at Lourdes Center in Wilton and, most recently, St. Joseph Living Center staff for the compassionate care given to Sister Rosalie during her extended last years of illness. We also thank the Daughters of the Holy Spirit in Putnam, CT, for their presence and support of Sister Rosalie, accepting her as another sister-in-community among their own religious sisters who live at St. Joseph's.

In addition to her Sisters in Community, Sister is survived by her brothers, all living in Maryland: George (and Kathy); Gregory; Andrew; Robert (and Diann); John (and Libby); and Francis (and Gloria). She also leaves her sisters in Maryland: Leona Unkle (and Bennie); Gennie Williams (and Wayne); Joan Sebring (and Dick); and Evelyn Bean. Along with her parents, Sister is predeceased by her sisters Neadurra Ellen (Hall), Lucy Ann, and her brothers Joseph William, David, and Charles Bernard.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 health conditions and restrictions for licensed facilities, a graveside service will take place on Friday, July 15, at 10:00 a.m. at the Sisters of St. Joseph Cemetery on Ringgold Street in West Hartford. If unvaccinated, please wear a mask. In lieu of flowers, the Sisters of St. Joseph and Sister Rosalie's family ask that you consider a memorial donation in Sister's name to the Sisters of St. Joseph, c/o Office of Mission Advancement, 650 Willard Avenue, Newington, CT 06111. Fisette-Batzner Funeral Home, 20 Bonair Avenue, Newington, has care of the arrangements. To share a condolence, visit www.duksa.net.

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Diaz, Maria L (Gonzalez)

We are sad to announce the passing of Maria Luisa Diaz of Hartford, CT. She passed peacefully at the age of 99 on July 6, 2022 at Hartford Hospital. The funeral will be held on Friday, July 15, 2022 at DeLeon Funeral Home, 104 Main Street, Hartford, CT with the viewing at 9-11am, burial service at 11:30am at Mount Benedict Cemetery in Bloomfield, CT. Survived by her sons, daughter, and several generations of grandchildren.

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Long, Lucille (Cote)



Lucille (Cote) Long, 93, of Ellington, CT, passed away on Sunday, July 3, 2022. Lucille was born at home in Willimantic on March 31, 1929 (Easter Sunday), the fourth of five children to the late Wilfred and Blanche (Millette) Cote. Lucille grew up in a French-speaking home, surrounded by yarn, thread, and fabric, and at age 13 she made her first dress. In high school, she made all of her own clothes and worked at a clothing store. Growing up during the Great Depression taught her to be hardworking, resourceful, and clever, traits that stayed with her forever. She was a graduate of the University of Connecticut, class of 1951, with a major in Home Economics and a concentration in Textiles. Her major carried her throughout the rest of her life, whether it was at home raising her five children, or in her career as a school lunch director. Lucille began working in the cafeteria at Windermere School in Ellington when it opened in the 1960s, and later moved into the role of the district's lunch program director. In 1973, she married the Dreikorn's bread delivery man, Charles E. Long, or Chick, as she affectionately called him. She retired from the Ellington Public Schools in 1980. In retirement, she and Chick enjoyed traveling to all of his Marine Corps reunions across the country and spending time with their children and grandchildren.

To know Lucille was to love her. Her presence and smile could light up a room, and anyone who was a stranger would soon be a friend. She loved to tell stories and jokes, read, write limericks, and complete the daily crossword puzzle. She was a longtime member of St. Luke's in Ellington. She loved singing with the Better Age Singers at the Ellington Senior Center, where she could be seen dressed as Santa Claus at the yearly Winterfest concert in a costume she created. Lucille's talents were endless—she could sew, knit, crochet, make quilts, dresses, bathing suits, and just about any craft you can imagine. She loved to create homemade gifts for family and friends—baby blankets, hooded towels, braided wool rugs, crocheted washcloths and sweaters. In her later years, she enjoyed doing alterations using thread from The American Thread Company that she still had from her younger years in Willimantic. Her talents didn't stop at the sewing machine—she was a great cook, and an even better baker. She made wedding and birthday cakes, and pies for Thanksgiving.

She was a loving mother to her five children she leaves behind: Kurt Weihe, and his wife Helen, of League City, TX, Eric Weihe, and his wife Sue, of Mariposa, CA, Jamy Magdefrau of Ellington, Valerie Alleman, and her husband Carl, of Vernon, and Priscilla Jackert, and her husband Tom, of Eden, UT. She leaves many stepchildren and their families, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren who will miss her dearly. She was predeceased by her husband, her four siblings, and her son-in-law. Lucille's family would like to thank Karen for taking such great care of her as well as the staff of The Residence at South Windsor Farms.

Her family will receive friends for a calling hour on Saturday, July 16, 2022 from 10 to 11 A.M. followed by a Celebration of Life Service beginning at 11 A.M. at the Ladd-Turkington & Carmon Funeral Home, 551 Talcottville Road (Route 83), Vernon. Please bring a story or remembrance of Lucille to share. Burial is private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Ellington Senior Center, 55 Main Street, P.O. Box 187, Ellington, CT 06029. For online condolences and guest book, please visit www.carmonfuneralhome.com

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McGrath, Mary Theresa (Nolen)



Mary Theresa Nolen McGrath of West Simsbury died on July 9, 2022. Mary was born in South Hadley, MA on September 12, 1929. She was the third of six children born to James and Katherine (Dillon) Nolen. Mary graduated from the Newton Country Day School of The Sacred Heart, Albertus Magnus College and received a Masters degree in Pastoral Counseling at St. Joseph's College. Mary married John "Jack" J. McGrath in 1951. They met while Mary was a student at Albertus Magnus and Jack was attending Yale University. Mary and Jack had five children in quick succession. They moved to Simsbury, CT in 1960 where they raised their family. Mary continued to live there for the next sixty-two years. After raising her family, Mary began working at the Office for People with Disabilities for the Archdiocese of Hartford. There, she facilitated access to religious and social opportunities for marginalized parishioners. Mary continued to work tirelessly for twenty five years to create innovative programs for the disabled and met many friends and colleagues who she remained close to over the years.

Mary's husband Jack passed away in 1982 leaving her a widow at the age of 52. After Jack's death, Mary exhibited her characteristic strength; continuing to live a life of purpose, intention, adventure and (non-stop) activity. She traveled to Asia, Africa, bicycled through Europe and remained an integral part of her children and grandchildren's lives. She rarely said "no" to anything, participating enthusiastically in every aspect of life, playing and competing in tennis, paddle tennis and golf well into her 80's and enjoying bridge and yoga into her 90's. In 2001, Mary married Corydon "Cory" Johnson, an old friend from Simsbury, who along with his four children and their families added another layer of love and support in her life. Mary loved living in Simsbury and leaves many dear friends, neighbors and community members, whose loyalty, kindness and camaraderie were a vital part of her life and sustained her strength and positive outlook. Mary's large extended family will miss her dearly but will always be grateful for the exemplary way she lived her life.

Mary leaves her children, Kathy, Bryan, John (Barbara) and Liz (Tim) Durkin, her sister Judy Crimmins, seven grandchildren, Michael, Mary Adair, and Frances McGrath, Ted, Clare, Ginny and Trevor Durkin, and three great grandchildren. She also leaves her Nolen and Crimmins nieces and nephews, and the Johnson family. Mary was predeceased by her husbands Jack McGrath and Cory Johnson, her son Michael Sean and her grandson John Durkin.

A service in Mary's honor will be held at St. Catherine of Siena Church in West Simsbury on Saturday, July 16th at 11am. The McGrath family would like to invite Mary's friends to a reception at Hopmeadow Country Club at 12:30pm. Donations in Mary's memory can be made to Horizons Inc., an organization that creates opportunities for people with developmental disabilities at Horizons, Inc., Attention: Chris McNaboe, PO Box 323, South Windham, CT 06266. The Vincent Funeral Home of Simsbury is caring for the arrangements. Please visit Mary's Book of Memories at www.vincentfuneralhome.com for online tributes.

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Brown, Jr., Thomas P.



Thomas Patrick Brown, Jr., 74, passed away Saturday, July 9th, 2022, at home. He was born in Springfield, MA on September 18th, 1947. He was the son of the late Thomas P. Brown, Sr., and Marion F. (Hauschild) Brown. He served in the United States Air Force from 1965 through 1971. He received his Bachelor's degree from SUNY Potsdam and his Master's degree from the University of Connecticut. Mr. Brown began his 35 year career in education as a teacher in Hartford, CT. He later served as a Reading Specialist in West Hartford, CT. Following that, he was a well-loved principal at several elementary schools in Meriden, CT where he was a strong advocate for reading and literacy and was known for his wide array of fun neckties. Tom maintained his passion for reading and was always finishing a new book. He was also a loyal fan of the New York Yankees, Miami Dolphins, and UConn Basketball. Tom is survived by his children, Kerry Rusgrove of Newington, CT, Kevin Brown and his wife Kimberlee of Stafford Springs, CT, and Timothy Brown and Kirsty Cullinane of Lindenhurst, NY; his grandchildren, Allison, Molly, and Joshua, his god-daughter, Jennifer, and many nieces and nephews; his siblings, Albert Brown of Las Vegas, Nevada, John Brown of Springfield, MA, and Michael Brown of Beverly Hills, FL. He was predeceased by sister Patricia Burden of Chicopee, MA and brother Peter Brown of Springfield, MA. The family invites you to a Celebration of Life on Saturday, July 16th at 1:30 pm at Molloy Funeral Home, 906 Farmington Avenue, West Hartford. In lieu of flowers, contributions in Tom's memory may be made to the American Red Cross, 209 Farmington Avenue, Farmington, CT 06032. Online expressions of sympathy may be made at www.molloyfuneralhome.com

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Danko, Constance (Bartolotta)



Constance(Bartolotta)Danko, 96, of Middletown, wife of Stanley Danko, passed away on Friday July 8th after a long and happy life. Known as "Connie" to her friends and "Tina" to her family, Constance grew up in Cromwell as the daughter of Sebastian and Josephine (D'Aquila) Bartolotta. Connie spent her entire adult life in Middletown, where she raised her four children. Always great with her hands, she spent years working as a seamstress with Carmelo Coats, developing skills which came in handy over the years with all of her family's sewing needs. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother and aunt to her large, extended family. In her younger years, Connie loved to travel, going on cruises with Stan and always finding a slot machine on which to try her luck. She also loved "anything on stage" and thoroughly enjoyed plays, skits, and music. In her later years, Connie enjoyed being at home, venturing out mostly to visit family in the area or in the occasional search for the perfect hot dog or lobster roll. Otherwise, Connie was happy taking care of Stan or cooking her family's favorite meals (occasionally she would share a recipe) whenever they'd come to visit. In addition to her husband of more than 65 years, Connie is survived by her four children: Nicholas Misenti (wife Bev) of Higganum, Diana Morgan of Waterbury, Michael Danko (wife Mary) of Woodside, CA, and Mark Danko (wife Lisa) of Middletown. She also leaves her grandchildren Kim, Kelly, Christopher, Corey and Emily, six great grandchildren, her "favorite" brother Eddie Bartolotta (wife Anne) of Cromwell; and many beloved nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her sisters, Josephine Formisano and Ida Tortorigi; and brother, Tony Bartolotta. Her Funeral Liturgy will be held Friday (July 15th) at 11 a.m. at St. Pius X Church, 310 Westfield St., Middletown. Burial will be in Rose Hill Memorial Park, Rocky Hill. Friends may call at St. Pius X Church on Friday from 10 to 11 a.m. To share memories or express condolences online please visit www.biegafuneralhome.com.

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Hughes, James B.



James B. "Jim" Hughes, 67, of Newington, passed away peacefully on Thursday, July 7, 2022, at Hospital for Special Care, Hartford, with his wife, Diane (Slaughter) Hughes by his side. Jim and Diane had celebrated 30 years of marriage on June 27, 2022.

Jim was born on March 3, 1955, in Fairfield, IA, son to the late Milford "Knute" and Mary Catherine "Mike" (O'Toole) Hughes. The family moved to Simsbury in 1968.

Jim enlisted in the CT Army National Guard in 1981. After completing Officer Candidate School and the Officer Basic Course, he became the Property Book Officer of the 1st Bn, 102d Infantry, New Haven. In 1990 Jim entered on an AGR tour holding various Logistics and Supply positions in the 43d Bde, 26th Yankee Division and the State Headquarters, CTARNG attaining the rank of Major then becoming a Warrant Officer. He retired in 2009 having served honorably for 28 years.

Jim had a passion for baseball - growing up playing or watching the St. Louis Cardinals. Jim also played in the Town of Newington Men's Baseball League. He was very active in Newington Little League where he coached for many years and was past president of the league for 5 years. He also enjoyed watching the Boston Celtics, Chicago Bears and the University of Iowa football and basketball teams. Jim was interested in the Civil War and was a member of the Civil War Museum located in the Rockville Town Hall. He was a proud member of the 1st Bn, 102d Infantry Association and the New Haven Grays.

In addition to his wife, Diane, Jim is survived by his two sons who he was extremely proud of - Kevin J. Hughes who enlisted in the U.S. Army and is leaving for basic training on July 24, 2022, and Thomas R. "Tommy" Hughes who attends Southern CT State University and is a pitcher on their baseball team. They will miss their dad immensely but know he will be watching over them.

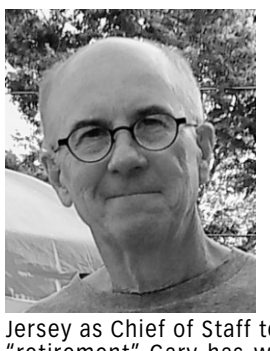
A time of visitation for family and friends will be held on Friday, July 15, 2022, from 5-7 p.m. at the Carmon Windsor Funeral Home, 807 Bloomfield Ave., Windsor. A graveside service with military honors will be celebrated on Saturday, July 16, beginning at 10:30 a.m. at St. Joseph Cemetery, 2085 Poquonock Ave., (Rte 75), Windsor. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to a Veterans organization of your choice. To leave an online message of condolence for his family, please visit www.carmonfuneralhome.com.

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Heard, Gary Louis



Gary Louis Heard of Brooklyn, New York and Niantic, Connecticut, died on July 6, 2022, while running a race in Prospect Park, Brooklyn. He was 73.

Born in Hartford, Connecticut in 1948, to Louis Heard and Helen Carroll Heard. Gary grew up in Manchester. He earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Administration in 1970, from Upsala College. Later in life, while working full time as an insurance underwriter, Gary's personal interest in European politics led him to earn a Masters degree in Political Science from New York University.

Throughout high school and college Gary worked harvesting tobacco, as a camp counselor, and as a roofer. After college, Gary completed the underwriting training program at Chubb Insurance, going on to a successful 39-year career there. Bored after retiring from Chubb in 2009, Gary then worked for a boutique insurance firm and spent three years at Travelers Insurance's Entertainment Insurance Division before retiring again.

In 2017, a former colleague asked Gary to join the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey as Chief of Staff to the Chairman. A year later, Gary again retired from full-time employment. Since this third "retirement" Gary has worked as an election day worker and, at the time of his death, was a coach for the New York Road Runners' group training sessions. He has also delved extensively into genealogy, writing two book-length research reports about the two sides of his family.

An avid lifelong athlete, Gary played baseball non-stop from little league until he retired from his corporate softball team in his late 60s. He was also a skilled and devoted golfer. Gary enjoyed his greatest athletic success through long-distance running, completing 19 marathons (including four Bostons), eight Hood to Coast Relays, and numerous shorter races. Gary completed his last race, the Al Goldstein Series 5k in Prospect Park, Brooklyn, two weeks before his death, in a time of 29:29, placing first among men aged 70-74.

Gary leaves behind his wife of 21 years, Sara; two daughters, Marjorie Heard of Brooklyn and Beth Provo (and her husband Kahlil) of Olympia, Washington; two grandchildren, Rosalia Provo and Mateo Provo; his brother Peter Heard (and wife Beth) of Manchester; several nieces and nephews and countless heartbroken friends. He was predeceased by his sister, Laurie Heard Berg, as well as his parents.

VISITATION:
Thursday, July 14: 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Friday, July 15: 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Joseph G. Duffy Funeral Home
255 9th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11215

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St. John - St. Matthew - Emanuel Lutheran Church
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Hurowitz, Howard



Howard Hurowitz, 87, longtime resident of Suffield and Granby CT, but most recently Boca Raton, FL, and loving husband of Cecile Rosenfeld Hurowitz, passed away on July 9, 2022. Born in Springfield, MA, March 17, 1935. He is predeceased by his parents Anne Rosenbloom Hurowitz and William Hurowitz and sister Sheila Feldstein. Howard taught in the Enfield, CT, school system for 35 years. Howard and his wife Cecile had just celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in April. He was an avid reader, loved all music, dancing, tennis, pool dips and special love for all his dogs over the years. He was most loved for his quick wit and mischievous smile. In addition to his wife Cecile, Howard is survived by his daughter Elissa Hurowitz Giaimo and her dogs Razzle and Ziggy of Tucson, AZ, his son David Hurowitz and daughter-in-law Karen of Arlington, MA, and their dogs Fred and Daizy, his sister-in-law Barbara Rosenfeld of Natick, MA, his brother-in-law Leonard Feldstein, nephew William Feldstein, niece Karen Feldstein and as well as many other family and friends. A grave site service will be held at Hartford Mutual Society Memorial Park, 74 Wolcott Rd, East Granby Thursday July 14, 2022 at 12:00pm. For online condolences, please visit www.leetestevens.com.

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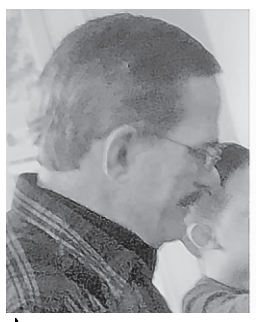
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Sipple, Jerome "Jerry" D

Jerome "Jerry" Dale Sipple, age 72, passed away Wednesday June 29th, 2022, in Baltimore, MD.
A virtual celebration of life service will be held Monday July 25th, 2022 at 7:00 ET. All who knew him are welcome to attend and or sign his guestbook, please visit http://www.gatheringus.com/memorial/jerome-d-sipple/9367 for further details. A private family burial will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Alzheimer's Association.
Jerome was born in Albert Lea, MN on October 8th 1949 and attended Albert Lea Senior High School. After graduation he enlisted with the USAF and was a veteran of the Vietnam War where he served honorably achieving the rank of Staff Sergeant. After his service Jerome continued with his passion for aircraft earning further technical education and was employed with Pratt & Whitney while also earning his private pilot license. When Jerome was not flying he was a local tax professional and business owner, forming Sipple Enter-Prizes in 1982 and later Taxes Plus & Associates in 2006. Jerome took pride in his work and took great satisfaction in helping those who were in need of his services.
He is survived by his two sons Ian (Naomi), and Shaun (Danielle); two grandchildren; and his siblings Daniel, Janice, Sharon, Keith, and Kenny. He was preceeded in death by his parents Joseph and Erlis, and his wife Helenanne (Gomolka) in 2019.

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Vincenzo, Jr., Dominic Thomas



Dominic Thomas Vincenzo Jr., of Hebron, passed away suddenly on July 3, 2022. Dominic was proud of his service in the Marine Corp serving honorably in the Vietnam War.
He was born in Hartford on March 20, 1951. Dominic leaves behind his brothers John, Joey and Matthew as well as his sisters Tina and Mary. In addition he leaves behind his great nephew Luke Provera whom he adored, Luke's mom Jennifer Tran, and, his dear friend and brother in law John Provera as well as his friend of many years Marie Carilli.
The Mass of Christian Burial in his honor will be celebrated Saturday, July 16th at 10:00 am in the Church of the Sacred Heart, 446 Mountain Road, Suffield, celebrated by Father Dennis J. Vincenzo, his cousin. Burial with military honors will be held at the State Veterans Cemetery in Middletown privately for the family at a later date.
In lieu of flowers please feel free to make a donation in Dominic's name to the charity of your choice. To send online condolences to the family please visit www.AhernFuneralHome.com

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Shea, Harriet Palmer



Harriet (Palmer) Shea, 83, passed away peacefully on July 3, 2022. Born in Hartford on March 11, 1939 to the late Raymond and Dorothy (Slater) Palmer of West Hartford, Harriet grew up in West Hartford, attended Chaffee School in Windsor, and received her B.A. from Cornell University in 1961, where she was a member of Kappa Kappa Gamma. After meeting and marrying her best friend, John P. Shea, in 1963 she raised two children in West Hartford, and spent the summers in Black Point Beach in Niantic. Harriet enjoyed her time greatly at Black Point playing tennis, floating on her raft in Niantic Bay, and socializing with her friends. Later in life she worked as a bookkeeper for Dr. Grimieson and took up golf, which she enjoyed playing with her husband and friends. Harriet was a communicant of St. Mark the Evangelist in West Hartford, and St. Agnes in Niantic.
Harriet is survived by her children, Julie (Shea) Holt, John P. Shea, Jr. and his wife Ames, and her grandchildren, Sara Holt and Madeline and Daniel Shea. She also leaves a brother-in-law, David Loughlin and sister-in-law Jean M. Shea, and many nieces and nephews. Harriet was predeceased by her husband, John P. Shea; her sisters, Dorothy A. Palmer, Joyce (Palmer) Loughlin, and son-in-law Michael R. Holt; and, her brother-in-law James B. Shea, his wife Katherine, and sister-in-law Geraldine F. Shea.

The family would like to thank all the staff at Monsignor Bojnowski Manor in New Britain for their care and support of Harriet. Friends and family may pay their respects, Friday July 15, 2022 at the Molloy Funeral Home, 906 Farmington Avenue, West Hartford, from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. A Mass of Christian Burial celebrating Harriet's life will follow at 10:00 a.m. at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 872 Farmington Avenue, West Hartford. Burial will follow in Mount St. Benedict Cemetery, Bloomfield. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society CT Chapter PO Box 280285 East Hartford, CT 06128 or online www.cancer.org. Directions and online expressions of sympathy may be made at www.molloyfuneralhome.com

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Godin, Ghislaine (Goupil)



Ghislaine (Goupil) Godin, 79, of Vernon and loving wife of Patrick L. Godin, went to enteral rest on Friday, July 8, 2022 at Hartford Hospital. She was born June 4, 1943 to the late Leonard and Leonida (Ducharne) Goupil. She graduated from Buckley High School in Hartford, Class of "62". She was an excellent cook and loved to have family gatherings. She loved children, which brought her much joy. She had a great sense of humor and loved to go shopping and loved playing cards. Her family was her proud moments in life and loved to create memories. She had a great memory and was amazing at Math. Besides her husband, Patrick she is survived by her two daughters; Lynn Davis and her husband, Bradley and Joyce Sayre and her partner, Sean Fritz; her loving grandchildren, Shannon, Abigale, Preston, Emily, Nathan, and Noah; her great-grandchild, Gracelyn; her siblings; Normand Goupil and Bridget, Lucille Guimond and Rene, Clemence Godin and Roger and Diane Moreau and Paul. Relatives and friends may join the family from 4-6 p.m., Friday, July 15, 2022 at the Burke-Fortin Funeral Home, 76 Prospect Street, Rockville. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m., Saturday, July 16, 2022 at St. Bernard's Church, 25 St. Bernard's Terrace. (Please meet at church) In lieu of flowers Memorial Contributions can be made to The Assistance Fund/Parkinson Foundation, 4700 Millenia Blvd #410, Orlando, FL 32839. For online condolences please visit: www.pietrasfuneralhome.com

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Nelson, Edith C



Edith C. Nelson, 99, of Farmington, CT and formerly Naples, FL, passed away on Sunday, July 10, 2022, in the comfort of her home. She was the beloved wife of the late Howard O. Nelson, with whom she shared almost 50 years. Edith was born on December 17, 1922, in Bristol, CT to the late Arthur Chambers and Edith (Bradley) Chambers. She graduated from Plainville High School, class of 1940, and attended Northwestern Connecticut Community College. Edith did work for General Electric and Kalat before she went to work as the first female Production Control Engineer for Stanley Works until her retirement. Edith was a snowbird for 30 years, traveling to her second home of Naples, FL for the colder parts of the year. She was a social butterfly and always had activities and many cherished friends to keep her busy. She was an avid card player and enjoyed trips to the casino as well as taking in concerts at the park with her dear friend Bobbie. She was an active member of Asbury United Methodist Church in Forestville and took part in many events with them. Edith will be remembered for her unwavering love and devotion to her family, her zest for life, and her vivacious spirit. Edith will be dearly missed by all who had the pleasure of knowing her. Left to cherish Edith's memory are her daughter and son in law, Lori and Jim Schaffrick of Litchfield, the lights of her life, her two granddaughters Katie and Becky Schaffrick of Litchfield, and several nieces and nephews with whom she was very close. Besides her husband, Edith was preceded in death by two brothers, Ernie and Arthur Chambers, a sister, Gladys C. Woods, and her dear friend Bobbie.
Family and friends may visit Bailey Funeral Home, 48 Broad St, Plainville, on Thursday, July 14, 2022, from 4-6 pm. Funeral service will be held at Asbury United Methodist Church on Friday, July 15, 2022 at 11:00 am. Private interment at Forestville Cemetery. Memorial donations in Edith's name can be made to Book of Remembrance of Asbury United Methodist Church, 90 Church Ave., Forestville, CT 06010. To leave an online expression of sympathy for Edith's family, please visit www.bailey-funeralhome.com

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White, John T.



John T. White, 54, of Stafford Springs, CT, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, July 10, 2022. He was born in Hartford, CT, son of the late Dennis and Patricia (Zagorski) White. John was currently employed by Empire Industries in sales. He was a diehard Pittsburg Steelers and New York Yankees fan, and enjoyed concerts, the beach, and riding his Harley. Above all, he loved his family, especially his children. John is survived by his beloved wife, Justine (Pisciotta) White; three children, Ryan and Brianna White, and Madelynn Pisciotta; nephew, John White; father-in-law and mother-in-law, John and Phyllis Pisciotta; and several nieces. Calling hours will be held on Friday, July 15, 2022 from 9:00-11:00 A.M., with a funeral service to take place at 11:00 A.M., at Introvigne Funeral Home, Inc., 51 East Main St., Stafford Springs, CT. Burial will follow in St. Edward Cemetery, Stafford Springs, CT. Memorial donations may be made to the National Kidney Foundation, 30 East 33rd St., New York, NY 10016. To leave a condolence online for the family, please visit: www.introvignefuneralhome.com.

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Sadowski, Irene



Irene Sadowski, 93, of Southington, passed away peacefully at Southington Care Center on Monday, July 11, 2022. She was the beloved wife of the late Stanley Sadowski for 68 years.
Irene was born on February 23, 1929 in Southington to John and Irene (Mazzera) Mongillo.
She was a 1946 graduate of Lincoln Lewis High School. Before beginning her family, Irene was employed at Pexto. After her children were all in school she began her career as an elementary school secretary at Milldale School and later South End School where she enjoyed the many students she would come to cherish as her own and where she would meet some of her dearest friends. She retired in 1986 to begin her new career as Gramma, taking exceptional care of her grandchildren until they all went off to school. Irene was always happiest when she was with her family, especially the many summers she and Stanley spent watching their grandchildren and great grandchildren on the beaches of Falmouth, Cape Cod or trying to keep up with them through the parks at Disney World.
Irene leaves behind her children, Karen (Peter) Goodwin, Laurene (Robert) Hebert and Wayne (Denise) Sadowski and her niece Jan Tyrol who was like a daughter to her. Grandchildren Erin Goodwin, Ryan (Shelby) Goodwin, Alyssa (Dustin) Sullivan, Tyler Sadowski (fiancée Alexa), Ethan (Tina) Hebert, and her most precious great-grandchildren, Brynna, Noah and Parker Mosher, Arlo and Remy Goodwin, Cameron Sullivan and Jenna and Emily Hebert. Irene also leaves her brother and sister-in-law Joseph and Nancy Mongillo, sister-in-law, Doris Koenig along with many cherished nieces, nephews and cousins.
She was predeceased by her sisters whom she missed so much, Rita Fallati and Rose Howard. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Connecticut Children's Medical Center Cancer Research, 282 Washington St. Dept. of Hematology and Oncology Hartford, CT 06106. A Mass of Christian burial will be held on Friday, July 15th at 12:30 pm at St. Aloysius Church, 254 Burritt St., Plantsville. Burial will follow at St. Thomas Cemetery. For online condolences and directions lease visit, www.dellavecchiasouthington.com

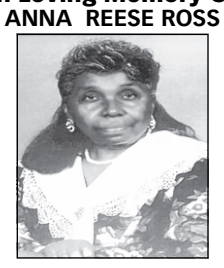
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Calls for change at charter hearing

Hartford residents ask for an expanded city council that would give every neighborhood representation

By Ted Glanzer
Hartford Courant

HARTFORD — Just two people spoke Monday during the Hartford City Council's virtual public hearing on proposed charter revisions, but both wanted the same thing: an expanded city council with more oversight of the mayor's office.

It's a stance that has traction with at least two current council members.

Alyssa Peterson, who called the charter revision commission's work "a colossal failure," said the city council needed to be expanded from its current nine at-large members to at least 15 members, with representation from all of Hartford's neighborhoods.

"Our small at-large council of nine is a relic of the city manager form of government, which now resulted in less voter participation and executive oversight," she said. "Instead, Hartford needs more focused representation of residents, businesses and institutions by an expanded number of council [members] elected by district or by neighborhood."

Peterson noted that other Connecticut cities, including New Britain, Bridgeport and New Haven, have governing councils of 15 to 30 members.

"These kinds of numbers would ensure residents, businesses and institutions located in a neighborhood or district could be represented by advocates for their specific area every two years," she said. "People would be forced to work across the city to govern collectively with true executive oversight of a strong mayor, and our various council committees would be better attended."

That structure would put an end to the pendulum of power swinging back and forth over the past 20 years, from a strong mayor to strong council president, then back to a strong mayor, she said.

Peterson also said five Board of Education members should be elected.

"It [currently] only takes five at-large council [members] representing no specific neighborhood to eliminate executive oversight and hand over the power of the purse to the mayor," she said. "Our Hartford neighborhoods and schools have never suffered so badly.

"If you're not living in a certain area of downtown or a select section of Parkville, you see it and feel it. Many formerly good schools are practically empty, and I'm so ashamed to look at our once-beautiful Franklin Avenue now so decrepit and ugly and dangerous."

Angela Harris, a Hartford resident also speaking on behalf of the Greater Hartford African American Alliance, agreed

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1st round of cannabis growers approved

Five from Hartford picked for social equity program

By Stephen Singer
Hartford Courant

A state panel on Tuesday approved Connecticut's first cannabis growers as part of the state's social equity program intended to benefit Black and other underrepresented communities.

The Social Equity Council will forward 16 applications to the state Department of Consumer Protection for a background check. It received 41. Applicants will be identified after DCP approval.

"Our actions today will be transformative for social equity applicants, but more important, we will bring change to communities most harmed by the war on drugs through employment and community reinvestment," said Andrea Comer, the council's chair.

The General Assembly and Gov. Ned Lamont enacted legislation last year allowing adult-use cannabis. The law includes a provision to recognize the government's war on drugs that disproportionately prosecuted suspects in Black and other communities of color.

After passing background checks by the Department of Consumer Protection, applicants will be approved for provisional licenses and pay a $3 million fee to the Social Equity Innovation Fund. They may then seek a provisional state license and prepare for full state licenses to cultivate, grow and propagate cannabis in one of the state's "disproportionately impacted areas."

The areas are defined as census tracts that historically have had a conviction rate for drug-related offenses greater than

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Two of the four proposals for redeveloping this 3-acre parking lot in Hartford are from developers active in the city. **COURANT FILE PHOTO**

BUSHNELL SOUTH REDEVELOPMENT

FAMILIAR NAMES IN THE RUNNING

A look at four developers with visions for downtown Hartford project

By Kenneth R. Gosselin | Hartford Courant

Two of the four developers submitting visions for a major redevelopment near the Bushnell Center for the Performing Arts in Hartford on the largest of a jumble of parking lots have built a total of hundreds of apartments in the downtown area in the last decade.

The two developers are Spinnaker Real Estate Partners LLC of Norwalk and Spectra Construction and Development of New York, associated with Wonder Works Construction Corp., the Capital Region Development Authority said Tuesday.

The field of developers is rounded out by Lennar Multifamily Communities (LMC) of Charlotte, North Carolina, which has an office in Stamford and its architect has worked on the North Crossing

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A rendering of what Bushnell South could look like a decade from now. **GOODY CLANCY/CAPITAL REGION DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

A UHart prof on what new NASA images mean for us

Webb telescope reveals more of cosmos than ever before

By Ed Stannard
Hartford Courant

On Monday night, President Joe Biden revealed the first image of the $10 billion James Webb Space Telescope, launched Dec. 25, 2021, the most advanced space telescope ever. More images were released Tuesday, and associate professor Paul Slaboch, director of the Aerospace Engineering Program and chairman of the Mechanical, Aerospace and Acoustical Engineering departments at the University of Hartford, answered questions about what he saw and what it means.

The unveiling at the White House came with a sneak peek of the first shot — a jumble of distant galaxies that went deeper into the cosmos than humanity has ever seen.

What was it like to see the first images from the Webb telescope?

I saw the images this morning. They were breathtaking. I saw the first one last night when President Biden unveiled it in a special White House ceremony. And that was amazing, that Deep Field image, the thought that there are so many galaxies in one tiny image.

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ELECTION 2022

Bhargava makes abortion a campaign issue

'State treasurer has the power to affect corporate behavior'

By Christopher Keating
Hartford Courant

HARTFORD — The Connecticut state treasurer is obligated to be entrenched in the sometimes-dry financial arcana of analyzing stocks, bonds and economic trends.

Abortion is essentially never on the radar screen.

But Greenwich financial trader Dita Bhargava is changing that this year with a new television commercial in the three-way Democratic primary that voters will decide on Aug. 9.

"I'll lead the crusade for our right to choose as state treasurer," Bhargava says



Bhargava

in the commercial that was unveiled Tuesday. "We'll push companies that we invest in to guarantee employees access to safe abortions."

The attention-getting commercial features multiple women in bare shoulders on the screen as Bhargava talks about abortion in a message that she describes as "edgy and pointed." The ad was created after the U.S. Supreme Court decided 6-3 to overturn the landmark Roe v. Wade ruling and allow all 50 states to decide the abortion regulations in their state. Democratic Gov. Ned Lamont and Connecticut legislators have vowed to ensure that abortion remains legal in the state.

Bhargava is making her second attempt to be treasurer after losing in a Democratic primary in 2018 to the current officeholder Shawn Wooden by 57% to 43%. After four years, Wooden is not seeking reelection.

Bhargava, who lives in the Cos Cob section of Greenwich, released the ad in a race that has received far less media attention than the higher-profile battles this year for governor and U.S. Senate.

As a former vice chairwoman of the state Democratic Party, Bhargava is running against another former party vice chairman, Erick Russell of New Haven, and Dr. Karen Dubois-Walton, a Yale graduate who serves as New Haven's public housing authority leader and chairwoman of the state board of education.

Russell won the party convention nod in May, but he was immediately challenged by

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POLICE BRIEFS

WESTPORT

Stratford woman found dead in car

A Stratford woman was found dead in a car in Westport on Sunday night, police said.

Westport Police Department responded to the parking lot of 40 Jesup Road after receiving a call that a car was running and a person was lying in the backseat.

Upon arrival, the officers found the occupant, tentatively identified as a 34-year-old woman from Stratford, unresponsive. Westport EMS also responded to the scene where they attempted lifesaving efforts. After the attempts, the woman was pronounced dead, the police said.

The Westport Police Department's Detective Bureau are conducting an investigation into the incident leading up to the death. The body was transported to the Connecticut Medical Examiner's office in Farmington, where the agency will determine the cause and manner of death.

Although the investigation is in the early stages, no foul play is suspected, according to police.

— Ahjané Forbes

WESTBROOK

Man charged with impersonating a police officer

A Middletown man was arrested on a charge of impersonating a police officer, the Connecticut State Police said Monday.

Around 8 a.m. Friday, Troop F in Westbrook received a call of a vehicle, that appeared to be a police vehicle, driving erratically in the area around Route 79 in Durham. The caller provided a license plate and described the car as a gray Ford SUV displaying flashing red and blue lights.

During the investigation, police discovered that the SUV was a privately owned vehicle registered to a residential address in Middletown. Police said the vehicle matching the description was found in the driveway of the residence. The man believed to be driving the car at the time of the incident, Vincent Hodge, was at the residence, according to the Middletown Police Department.

Hodge, 24, was arrested and transported to Troop F. He was charged with impersonation of a police officer, illegal use of flashing/color lights, following too closely and failure to obey a stop sign.

— Staff report

HAMDEN

Four hospitalized after stabbing

Four people were hospitalized after a stabbing in Hamden on Monday evening, police said.

Police responded to a North Street residence around 6 p.m. on Monday on reports of a domestic disturbance involving a stabbing, according to the Hamden Police Department.

Four people at the scene were treated by Hamden Fire Rescue and transported to Yale New Haven Hospital for medical evaluation due to injuries sustained during the incident, police said.

The injuries appeared to be non-life-threatening, according to police.

Detectives from the Major Crimes Unit and Crime Scene Unit reported to the scene, and the incident is under investigation, police said.

— Ahjané Forbes

WATERBURY

Woman injured in wrong-way crash

A woman was seriously injured and two men suffered minor injuries in a wrong-way crash on Route 8 in Waterbury on Monday night.

Around 11:52 p.m., a Honda HR-V traveling the wrong way on Route 8 south collided with a Honda Pilot in the area of Exit 34 in Waterbury, according to the Connecticut State Police.

The female driver of the Honda HR-V suffered life-threatening injuries, the state police said. The male driver and male passenger of the Honda Pilot had minor injuries.

The Connecticut State Police said the accident is under investigation. Anyone who has any information regarding the accident is asked to contact Trooper Nicholas Rocha at 203-267-2200.

— Staff report

East Windsor man pleads guilty to drug crime in oxycodone scheme

By Edmund H. Mahony
Hartford Courant

An East Windsor man has admitted his role in a scheme to acquire and distribute oxycodone obtained through fraudulent prescriptions.

Jayson Kemp, 54, pleaded guilty in U.S. District Court on July 4 to a charge of conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute, and to distribute, oxycodone.

Federal prosecutors said Kemp obtained blank prescription paper from employees of various Connecticut medical practices. He admitted in court that he kept some of the prescription paper for himself and also sold some of the prescription paper, for thousands of dollars, to other individuals, including Oral Welborn, who resided in Hartford.

Kemp, Welborn and another co-conspirator then recruited "runners," who typically were individuals who received Medicaid and Medicare benefits, to fill fraudulent prescriptions at various pharmacies, the prosecutors said and Kemp admitted.

Kemp, Welborn and the other co-conspirator filled out each prescription with the runner's identifying information and forged a doctor's signature on the prescription. The runner then filled the fraudulent prescription at a pharmacy, generally using their Medicaid or Medicare benefits, and provided the pills to Kemp, Welborn and their co-conspirator in exchange for approximately $50 per prescription.

The prosecutors said Kemp, Welborn and their co-conspirator then sold the pills to individuals suffering from opioid addictions.

Kemp, Welborn and their co-conspirator were responsible for filling at least 150 fraudulent prescriptions for oxycodone, almost all of which were for 150 30-mg oxycodone pills, the U.S. Attorney's office said.

Kemp was arrested on Aug. 2, 2019. He is free on a $150,000 pending sentencing, which is not yet scheduled.

Welborn pleaded guilty to the same charge on March 10, 2020, and awaits sentencing. Kemp and Welborn's co-conspirator was charged and convicted in state court.

Space

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An audience at the Space Telescope Science Institute at Johns Hopkins University in Maryland views an image of the Southern Ring Nebula image produced by the James Webb Space Telescope's Near-Infrared Camera on Tuesday. KIM HAIRSTON/BALTIMORE SUN

How much of the universe is the Webb telescope "seeing"?

One tiny speck of the sky. The analogy they said is, if you hold a grain of sand at arm's length, and look up into the sky, that's the amount of sky they were seeing in that image.

And it's just galaxies upon galaxies, It gives you a sense of the scale of everything. So that image was amazing. And then the ones today, man the details were just incredible.

How far back in time were you seeing and how far is that?

These objects, these stars, galaxies are more than 13 billion light-years away, meaning we are seeing them when that light left that star 13 billion years ago. It has taken that long for the light to travel that far. And a light year about 6 trillion miles, trillion with a T.

Explain what a light-year is.

A light-year is the distance light travels in one year. So it's a measure of distance, but in this case, it's also a measure of time. So it has taken however many millions or billions of light years for that light to reach us.

A light-year is approximately 6 trillion miles, trillion with a T, approximately. So if these are 13 billion light years away, then that light has traveled 13 times 6 billion trillion miles.

Editor's note: Another way of looking at it is, since light travels at 186,000 miles per second, as Albert Einstein determined in 1905, and at 6 trillion miles in a year, the physical distance of a star 13 billion light-years away, measured in miles, would be 78 with 21 zeros after it.

How much more can you see than you could with the Hubble telescope?

The other images themselves are things that Hubble had seen, but the detail and the clarity is just amazing. ... We as a species now are able to see much more detail than ever before, like the Ring Nebula, the Southern Ring Nebula. We knew it was a binary star, but we had never been able to see the two stars together. So we can now actually individually see the two stars, one of which is dying and causing that ring, you know, the exploding ring essentially, and the other is still alive.

What are the other advantages of the Webb telescope?

We are seeing back further and in much greater detail and much quicker. ... The deep field images we saw with Hubble, it would be two weeks of dedicated time staring at a point in space with Hubble to amass enough light to create those images. Webb was able to do that in an afternoon. It could stare at a spot for just an hour or two and get enough light to get these images that we have, so it's able to do so much more so much faster. That's the other amazing part of it.

Were you surprised by how much you were able to see?

I guess surprised. I mean, nobody knew exactly what we were going to see. We knew it was much more powerful than Hubble, we knew it was able to see in different wavelengths and further into space than Hubble, but until you see it, you're not really sure. ... The launch was back in December. It's taken six months to get to this point from the launch. And it was 25 years to get to the launch. So just the amount of engineering, the amount of science that went into this particular instrument is just phenomenal.

So I wasn't surprised to see so much detail necessarily, but it was really nice, to see that much detail. You know, we knew it was going to be more, but seeing it is very different than knowing it's going to be better.

Can you say more about the increased detail?

Obviously the optics and digital photography has come leaps and bounds since Hubble was launched back in 1990. So we can see much finer detail. And you can see that when you look at the images. If you compare a Hubble image to the new Webb image, it's night and day.

What's happening in the image that's part of the Carina Nebula, which looks like a giant brown cloud, called the Cosmic Cliffs?

The nebulas are the clouds of dust and gas that are going to form into stars. So every point of light you see in that image is a star, akin to our sun. So it's amazing to think that those stars probably have their own planets around them and they have their own solar systems, and here's the nebula of all these stars being born. Which is pretty incredible.

So those cosmic cliffs, by the way, are about seven light-years high. So that just gives you some of the scale of this thing. That's 42 billion trillion miles. ... But really what's amazing about this image, like I said before, is being able to see through the gas and dust in better detail than we had before to really see all the stars that are being formed within it and some of the stars and galaxies that are behind it. That's you know, the amount of detail is just stunning, especially compared to what we had with Hubble.

What else can we see? Are the galaxies really far apart?

Most galaxies are far away from each other, but not all. The Stephan's Quintet shows five galaxies, two of which are in the middle of merging. So these galaxies are close enough to each other, they're actually swirling together and they will combine into one galaxy. They do travel and move and occasionally bump into each other. So Stephan's Quintet shows just such a meeting of galaxies.

How about the different colors in the Deep Field image, the one that shows so many galaxies and stars?

So that is looking as far back as as it can, really trying to get deep, deep, deep, and the deepest reds, the longest infrared wavelengths that we can get. So this is the one that looks way back over 13 billion years. A lot of the other images. The Carina Nebula, the Quintet, those objects are not nearly as far away. You know, they're not 13 billion light years away. Only in the aspects of that Deep Field image, the faintest red galaxies are 13 billion light years away.

Many other objects in that image are much closer. Dome of those stars, the stars that have the rays of light coming out of them, those are generally stars within our own galaxy even. So we're seeing everything from within the Milky Way, all the way back to a few 100 million years after the Big Bang.

Why does being able to see so far into the universe matter to those of us on Earth?

You can always look back at the history of NASA and the technologies that NASA has created. They trickle down into our everyday lives. Pushing these advancements, not only the engineering on the telescope itself, but the engineering that goes into the rockets, the payloads, the instruments. All of those technological advancements can work their way down, still find new uses. Almost all that technology will find a new use somewhere here much closer to Earth.

The other side of it is to explore, right? That's what we do as humans, we explore we reach out to the final frontier. It would be great to keep finding these exoplanets. We know it would be great to find out if we're alone. I don't know what it would take to find evidence of extraterrestrial life, but we'll never find it if we don't look. But there's just so much out there and knowing where we came from is a big philosophical question.

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Treasurer

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the other two candidates.

A former chief of staff to then-New Haven Mayor John DeStefano, Dubois-Walton earned her master's and Ph.D. degrees from Boston University.

"People might ask why a candidate for state treasurer is focused on this issue. It's a fair question," Bhargava said. "I'm focused on it because the state treasurer has the power to affect corporate behavior by the investments it makes. Or doesn't make. And I promise you, when I'm treasurer, this state will not invest in companies that do not support a woman's right to a safe, legal abortion. It's not only the right thing to do, but also smart investing."

She added, "Companies that do not provide access to women's reproductive health care are a liability. I will make sure that companies do more than pay lip service to the concept. Already we're seeing some companies in states that have outlawed abortion offer to pay for their workers to travel to states like Connecticut where a woman can get a safe, legal abortion."

Charged with managing the state's $45 billion pension fund, the treasurer is tasked as the sole fiduciary to make sure that the funds are properly invested.

Lamont, the state Democratic Party's essential leader, repeatedly stayed away from endorsing anyone at the party convention, but he praised Dubois-Walton earlier this year when he appointed her as chairwoman of the state school board.

"Karen has been an incredibly active member of the New Haven community throughout her career, particularly focused on removing barriers to fair housing among marginalized communities, reversing housing segregation patterns, and making improvements in under-resourced neighborhoods," Lamont said at the time.

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Charter

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with Peterson in calling for an expanded city council "to have the city council be a true checks and balances to the strong mayor form of government, with all of our neighborhoods basically represented."

"The excuse that we don't want to make too many changes at once to me is ludicrous," she said. "This is the time to make changes and substantive changes. I would ask you to consider having more representation from the community and also ... to have the election of the city council not be tied to the election of the mayor so that there is no such thing as the mayor's slate.

"If you are in someone's pocket, you cannot be that person's checks and balances. So if he or she feels they have gotten their office, you are subsequently beholden to that person, and that should not be.

"Our city council needs to have an independent voice. You need to have your own autonomy if you are going to represent the citizens of the city of Hartford."

Harris noted that six of the commission's 14 members — including all four Black members — stepped aside, but did not resign, because of internal strife.

"It was very disappointing that their work fell apart toward the end of their tenure before these recommended amendments were finalized," she said.

Majority Leader TJ Clarke, a Democrat, and Josh Michtom of the Working Families Party and have expressed their support for greater representation on the council.

Michtom, in a Twitter thread, cited both speakers in support of an expanded council

"The excuse that we don't want to make too many changes at once to me is ludicrous. This is the time to make changes and substantive changes."

— Angela Harris, of Hartford

"Alyssa Peterson is right: a larger, district-based city council would be better-suited to rein in our too-powerful mayor," he said. "The Charter Revision Commission heard from experts who said that a district-based system — which could protect minority party representation — would do more than anything else to increase voter participation.

"And then ... they ignored what they'd learned and kept the status quo."

Clarke would like more members on the council and more neighborhoods represented because some of the current councilors live in "close proximity" with one another.

"It is something I've spoken to some of the commissioners about and also to my colleagues," he said. "By virtue of more civic engagement, it's something that should be taken into consideration. ... We are a city of 120,000-plus residents, so there is some notion there needs to be more consideration for more balance and equity."

Clarke said he supports a hybrid model of at-large members as well as city council members that represent districts.

Other council members, Clarke said, would also like to see the issue sent back to the commission for discussion and the city council to vote on, but it's unclear whether a majority support it.

Time, however, is an issue.

The city council ultimately has to vote on the proposed charter changes sometime in August. Leading up to that vote, there is a committee meeting, followed by a likely special meeting of the city council to send any changes it has back to the charter revision commission, Clarke said. The commission then sends its finalized version back to the city council for a vote so the proposed changes appear on the November ballot.

That window doesn't leave much time to hammer out what the expanded council would look like.

"I don't think there has been an in-depth analysis of how that would look and then as to how that would be impactful to the city's budget," Clarke said.

Peterson, for her part, said she is gathering signatures on a petition to put an alternative on the November ballot.

CONNECTICUT

Bushnell Park sets stage for new dance series

With 4 performances over the next year, 'In the Presence of Trees' follows the change of seasons

By Christopher Arnott
Hartford Courant

The trees of Hartford are setting the stage for a new yearlong environmentally themed outdoor dance series by the Justice Dance Performance Project.

"In the Presence of Trees" will kick off with an introductory event on July 19 in Bushnell Park, then will follow the change of seasons with an autumnal performance in Bloomfield, a winter dance in Hartford's Keney Park that will be filmed (so that just the dancers and not the audience will have to brave the cold) and a concluding event in the spring of 2023 back in Bushnell Park.

"This is the community launch of a project that will happen throughout the year," said JDPP's founder and Artistic Director Judy Dworin. "We wanted to do it at a time when people were out and about."

She describes the work, which she created in collaboration with the dancers in the company, as "family-friendly. It's about awareness of the trees, performed at various parks in the Hartford area. This event at The Bushnell is kind of a preview."

It's a very full, nearly five-hour preview. The 6 p.m. performance is preceded by:

- A 3:30 p.m. ecology-themed panel exhibit: "Frederic Law Olmsted: Landscapes for the Public Good" exploring the local work of the famous park planner.
- A 4:30 p.m. tour of notable trees in Bushnell Park led by Matt "Twig" Largess of Largess Forestry, a Rhode Island company dedicated to the preservation, restoration and general awareness of forests.
- Rides on the Bushnell Park carousel, which will be opened for this special occasion from 4:30 to 5:30 pm. Promotion materials for the day note that the carousel is situated "in the shade of the great Turkey Oak."
- A guided tour of the Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Arch at the edge of the park.

The 6:30 p.m. JDPP performance is described as a work-in-progress presentation and features seven dancers. The performance is followed by a talkback with Dworin, the dancers and the show's visual designer.

The Frederick Law Olmsted display and the Matt Largess tree tour were arranged by Trinity College, which has been hosting an "Olmsted 200" series of events in honor of the 200th anniversary of the landscape architect's birth. Dworin says she has been working closely with Trinity professor of applied science Susan Masino on the projects.

Each of the four "In the Presence of Trees" performances, Dworin says, are about "the same thing — they're about trees. They're dances that happen with trees." The musical score for the dances will change, she says, based on the content and time of year. One dance may feature a live poetry reading. The winter one is a film.

"We are making the piece each time in a new environment."

Justice Dance Performance Project, which changed its name last year from Judy Dworin Performance Project, has been creating social justice-oriented dance pieces for more than three decades. The company's work has explored issues such as slavery, immigration and violence against women. The troupe regularly works and performs with incarcerated and formerly incarcerated women.

When the COVID-19 pandemic began in 2020, JDPP started envisioning more outdoor performances.

"It was the safest place to perform at the time," Dworin said, "and still is in a way." The choreographer feels that gathering outside is "healing for both the performers and the audiences."

"This is our first piece about environmental justice," Dworin said, but the themes of "In the Presence of Trees" are in line with other JDPP projects. "We have always told stories that have not been told before." In this case, some of the stories come not from people but from trees.

"There are networks of communication," Dworin said, "that happen in forests. A fungus is the connection. Trees are communicating all the time. I did a lot of reading on it before we began working on the piece."

She recommends Suzanne Simard's book "Finding the Mother Tree: Discovering the Wisdom of the Forest."

"We can learn so much from trees," Dworin said. "This is a strong theme and a continuing one. Important values are disappearing in our time. We need to step outside, be in the forest and listen, be in the presence of trees."

To that end, do any of the dancers have strong pollen allergies? Dworin laughs. "The main thing we're worried about is ticks and poison ivy."

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Cannabis

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10% or an unemployment rate higher than 10%, as determined by the Social Equity Council.

Two applicants are residents of Bridgeport; five are in Hartford; three are in New Britain; and one each is in Manchester, Middletown, Southington and Stamford; and two are in Waterbury. They will not necessarily open cannabis businesses in those municipalities.

The action is separate from a lottery that will pick from 37,294 applications and award 56 licenses for manufacturing, packaging transporting, delivery, food and beverage and other cannabis business operations. Nearly 14,000 of the applicants are not part of the state's social equity program.

To meet the social equity criteria applicants must have lived in a disproportionately impacted area for at least five of the 10 years before applying for the license or nine years before they turn 18 and have an average household income of $235,332 over the three tax years, or about $78,000 a year before the application.

They also must have at least a 65% interest in the cannabis business. That provision — making sure businesses in line for a state license are owned and controlled by entrepreneurs who meet the social equity criteria — took up much of the discussion. Eight applicants were denied over ownership and control issues.

Subira Gordon, a member of the council, questioned if the state is avoiding ambiguities in who owns and operates the businesses.

"When there's a gray area it often does not end in the best interests for communities of color," she said.

Geoffrey Magon, of Cohn-Reznick, a consulting firm that worked with the Social Equity Council, said its review used organizational charts and operation and management agreements to determine how ownership and control were delegated.

Applications that were ambiguous were denied by reviewers looking at claims of ownership and control, he said. Questioned by council members, Magon said those who reviewed the applications relied on documentation and support provided by the applicants.

Officials intend for the businesses to open by the end of the year.

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Murphy talks lessons learned from walking across Connecticut

By Stephen Underwood
Hartford Courant

U.S. Sen. Chris Murphy wrapped up what he calls his "favorite week of the year" as the 48-year-old Democrat finished his sixth "Walk Across Connecticut" on Friday in New Haven.

Murphy, trading in his business suit for shorts and a T-shirt, makes it his mission to visit places off the beaten path while talking to constituents on the ground. Embarking in a kayak on the Housatonic River and spending time along the Appalachian Trail, Murphy walked 69 miles through 14 towns.

"In this kind of job you have to guard against being put in a bubble," Murphy said. "There's a danger — that you can come to believe what's dominating the TV news cycle or what's being talked about in Washington — actually matters to your state. This keeps me grounded."

Murphy started the annual walk in 2016 as a way to hear about issues that people find important outside of the typical political chatter.

"There is a symbolism to the walk," Murphy said. "It's part of trying to reach out to the people of Connecticut who maybe don't ever write or call my office. It's the idea that I'm willing to go to great lengths to get this job right and talk to everyone."

Each day on this year's four-day walk, Murphy walked 15 to 20 miles.

"It sounds corny, but I do fall in love with the state every time I walk across it," Murphy said. "The state is so beautiful and each time I see it is in a totally different way."

But while some residents stop to just talk about life and grab a beer, Murphy said he hears a lot of the same concerns over the years.

"Generally people talk about personal issues or things affecting their town," Murphy said. "It's normally not the issues in the headlines that people talk about. I hear about the same set of economic and safety issues year to year. This is an important reminder for me to keep working on the same issues people care about."

The Highland Park shooting in Illinois — which left seven people dead and 46 wounded at an Independence Day parade — happened on the first day of Murphy's walk.

"Gun safety became a more frequent topic of discussion than previous years," Murphy said. "We just passed an important gun bill so it was something people were asking a lot about."

President Joe Biden last month signed into law the first major gun safety legislation passed by Congress in nearly 30 years.

The legislation, a bipartisan bill spearheaded by Murphy, includes incentives for states to pass so-called red flag laws that allow groups to petition courts to remove weapons from people deemed a threat to themselves or others.



Sen. Chris Murphy walks along Palmer Road in Scotland during his second annual walk around Connecticut to talk with residents and see the state he represents. **PETER CASOLINO/SPECIAL TO THE COURANT**

"Just another reminder on the importance of the work being done to ensure gun safety," Murphy said.

Other issues Murphy said he hears frequently include the cost of living, wages, quality of schools and safety of neighborhoods.

"These kitchen table issues always dominate the conversation," Murphy said. "The economy is always on the minds of voters. Schools are another important issue that draws a lot of interest. These issues remain a focus."

Murphy said the most important lessons he learns from walking are what's happening on the municipal level in towns across the state.

"When I was walking through Bethany and Woodbridge, I was approached frequently about local issues," Murphy said. "Those towns just came through a pretty brutal school budget process that saw some conspiracy theories over inclusion and critical race theory. A lot of people just wanted to talk to me about their thoughts on it. It also allows me to learn about local issues."

As far as holding this event every year, Murphy said he plans to do it for as long as he is physically able.

"I'm getting older," Murphy said. "There will come a day when I can't do this anymore. But as for now I will continue to do this for as long as I am able."

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Specialty grocery store approved in Glastonbury

By Stephen Underwood
Hartford Courant

Glastonbury residents will soon have a new place to buy groceries. A "specialty grocery store" has been approved on Hebron Avenue on a parcel of land between Sycamore and Lyndon streets.

While officials would not confirm what company plans to take over the space, Trader Joes was mentioned in the Town Planning and Zoning meeting minutes in reference to a study on parking.

The plan for 400 Hebron Ave., which is currently vacant, was approved July 5 on a 4-2 vote by The Town Planning and Zoning Commission.

The application sought a special permit to construct a delivery area on the west side of the existing building for a grocery outlet and an expansion of the parking area for an adjacent business utilizing 366 Hebron Ave. and 7 Linden St.

Vice Chairwoman Sharon Purtill and Secretary Michael Botelho, who voted against the approval, cited town engineer Daniel Pennington as a reason for their hesitation.

"I consistently defer to town staff on many issues and I was reluctant to vote yes on this because our town engineer had raised some questions about traffic issues," Botelho said. "Generally I am supportive of the project overall but would have liked more information on how this will impact traffic, which we did not get."

The developers' traffic engineer, Mark Vertucci of Fuss & O'Neill, said the increase in traffic from the grocery store would be minimal.

As part of the proposal, Sycamore Street will be widened along with the addition of a second northbound lane at the intersection of Sycamore Street and Hebron Avenue that Vertucci said will help with "baseline traffic on the road network."

According to the meeting minutes, Vertucci reviewed a simulated traffic study of the intersection that showed a slight increase in traffic volume for both Friday peak hour at 2-3 cars and Saturday at 7-9 cars.

Pennington had expressed hesitation with the findings after he asked the developer for "real world data" on the number of trips generated by stores like the one proposed — and that the result was "almost exactly double" what would be expected — according to an Institute of Transportation Engineers manual used in projecting traffic volumes.

"The concern is that there will be times within the peak hour where the traffic will not dissipate within a signal cycle," said Pennington, according to the minutes from Tuesday's meeting.

Pennington also expressed concern for adequate parking spaces but Vertucci said that "comparable stores have fewer parking spaces" than what has been proposed.

As approved last Tuesday, the building will have 131 parking spaces, which is 25 over the town's zoning regulation requirement for the grocer and adjoining tenants.

As part of the proposal, two houses at 7 Linden St. and 366 Hebron Ave. will be removed and an additional parking lot will be built on the west side of the building for store employees.

According to TPZ members, the proposal has been generally met with enthusiasm from neighbors looking to add more alternatives to meet their shopping needs.

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Project

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project near Dunkin' Donuts Park; and Michaels Organization of New Jersey, which has an office in Boston, CRDA said.

Michael W. Freimuth, CRDA's executive director, said the plans submitted by the four developers for the 3-acre lot just east of the renovated State Office Building at 165 Capitol Ave., would cost an average of $110 million to build.

The lot is part of the larger, Bushnell South redevelopment that could eventually have as many as 1,200 residential units — both rented and owned — restaurant, shops and entertainment venues.

The 3 acres is part of a larger swath of parking lots — both state- and privately-owned — and would include a broad, pedestrian promenade with restaurants and space for outdoor events. The promenade would be between a new park adjacent to the State Office Building and a block of apartments and townhouses.

Freimuth said he could not give specific details about each proposal because the quasi-public agency is still reviewing the proposals.

Freimuth did say they are all consistent with a consultant's vision outlined last year. The focus of the review now underway is to find a partner that can be flexible as the development unfolds, particularly if market conditions change, rather than the project details, he said.

CRDA hopes to have a preferred developer selected this fall, Freimuth said.

Spinnaker Real Estate Partners LLC of Norwalk is already a partner in the Bushnell South redevelopment area with a $63 million conversion of the historic, 55 Elm St. into apartments. Spinnaker also has plans for new buildings on parking lots surrounding 55 Elm that are diagonally across from the 3-acre parking lot.

Spinnaker also is completing the $26 million apartment project at Park and Main streets.

Wonder Works Construction Corp of New York, a partner in the development of 560 rentals in the city beginning with the old Sonesta Hotel on Constitution Plaza in 2011. Wonder Works is now embarking on mixed-use conversions of downtown's Pearl Street firehouse and the former municipal office building on Main Street across from city hall.

Lennar Communities is a developer of mixed-used properties across 19 states, including Connecticut, according to its website. In Connecticut, Lennar expects to complete a mixed-use, apartment high-rise in downtown Stamford for occupancy this winter.

The Michaels Organization is a developer of mixed-use projects in 35 states, including Connecticut, and the District of Columbia. In Connecticut, Michaels has developed 6 Solomon's Crossing in New Haven and 11 Crown Street in Meriden.

Some downtown housing developers, including Martin J. Kenny, have been wary of adding another major housing project like Bushnell South before it's clear how quickly new apartments at North Crossing and along Pratt Street are leased. Kenny is part of the Pratt Street project.

Freimuth said he disagrees.

"You don't hit a button and development happens," Freimuth said. "Development is an 18, 24, 36 month process. Realistically for us to get something done and get it launched, we need to start. It's conceivable that we are 2, 3 years out from brick and mortar."

Freimuth said the rental market in and around downtown has shown, so far, that it can lease new apartments. CRDA is keeping a close watch on leasing trends and projects could be slowed or quickened depending on those trends.

"This land has been laying fallow for 50 years," Freimuth said. "Why do we have to keep on waiting?"

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Zoning Commission of the Town of Old Saybrook will hold a public hearing at its regularly scheduled meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, July 18, 2022 in the 1st floor conference room, Old Saybrook Town Hall, 302 Main Street and via teleconference to consider the following:

Petition to Amend the Old Saybrook Zoning Regulations to amend Section 53, Special Standards Drive-through windows, paragraph H, to include properties with frontage on Route 166.
Applicant: SPR Oasis, LLC
Agent: Attorney Edward M. Cassella

Public Zoom Link: https://zoom.us/j/92356062093?pwd=WEZSYVdRcm1Dcms4d2wxMGFTVitiZz09
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OLD SAYBROOK ZONING COMMISSION
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"Hanford Commons" Application for Site Plan Review for Affordable Housing (CGS 8-30g) Development to construct a three story (20,539 s.f.) apartment building (15 units total/5 affordable) 101 Lynde Street, Map 36/Lot 88, Residence A District, Pedestrian Node Applicant: Hanford Commons, LLC Owner: 101 Lynde Street, LLC Agent: Marjorie Shansky, Esq.

"Hanford Commons" Application to modify approved Site Plan for Affordable Housing (CGS 8-30g) Development for 8 Residential Units (9,313 s.f.). 99 Lynde Street, Map 36/Lot 87, Residence A District, Pedestrian Node Applicant: Hanford Commons, LLC Owner: 99 Lynde Street, LLC Agent: Marjorie Shansky, Esq.

"Hanford Commons" Application to modify approved Site Plan for Affordable Housing (CGS 8-30g) Development to construct a three story, 9,280 s.f. apartment building (19 units total/6 affordable) and a three car 962 s.f. garage. 109 Lynde Street, Map 36/Lot 89, Residence A District, Pedestrian Node Applicant: Hanford Commons, LLC Owner: 109 Lynde Street, LLC Agent: Marjorie Shansky, Esq.

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NOTICE OF DECISION
MIDDLETOWN ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 7, 2022

Denied request for a G.S. 14-54 location approval for the sale of used cars at 455 Middlefield St in the I-2 zone. Applicant/Agent: Manuel Sebastian Castro Largo. GS 14-54 2022-2

Steven Kovach, Chair
Zoning Board of Appeals

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ESTATE OF Robert A. Moller, Late of Clinton, AKA Robert Anderson Moller, AKA Dr. Robert A. Moller (22-0414)

The Hon. Jeannine Lewis, Judge of the Court of Probate, District of Saybrook Probate Court, by decree dated July 8, 2022, ordered that all claims must be presented to the fiduciary at the address below. Failure to promptly present any such claim may result in the loss of rights to recover on such claim.

Jacqueline Craco, Assistant Clerk

The fiduciary is:
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"Fine Fettle Dispensary" Application for Special Exception Use for a 4,000 s.f. adult use marijuana dispensary, 233 Boston Post Road, Assessor's Map 44/Lot 11, Gateway Business B-4 District.
Applicant: FFDN ELV, LLC ("Fine Fettle")
Agent: Attorney Amy Souchuns

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Desmond McEnery, left, and Elijah Hecht, both 5, test the product June 4 at a lemonade stand in Brooklyn that donated proceeds to Everytown for Gun Safety. **ZACK DEZON/THE NEW YORK TIMES**

When the world gives you lemons ...

MAKE A STAND

By Alyson Krueger
The New York Times

When Laura Kurtz staged lemonade stands as a child in Raleigh, North Carolina, they were simple affairs.

"We would bring out the folding card table and chairs and pop them at the end of the driveway," said Kurtz, who is now 34 and a management consultant in Chapel Hill, North Carolina. "The lemonade would come from concentrate."

Fast forward to Memorial Day 2022, when she and her 4-year-old daughter, Penny, set up a lemonade stand in front of their home. The idea started at a store. "If you impulse purchase a set of lemon-shaped napkins from T.J. Maxx, then naturally you have to build an elaborate lemonade stand," she said.

Using crates and other supplies, Kurtz built a stand, complete with a fabric white-and-yellow-striped awning and shelves to display a bowl of fake lemons and decorative straws. She also made lemon garlands and an array of signs, and tied pink ribbons to the top for "pops of color."

The morning of the event, Kurtz and Penny squeezed lemons and added sugar, water and ice, which her daughter later sold for $1 a glass. "My dad was appalled by the price. He said it was too much money," Penny said. "I was like, 'Dad, it's freshly squeezed.' "

Penny made $13 over two hours. "I think that might have covered the price of lemons, but that wasn't the point," Kurtz said. "The point was to have fun."

Lemonade stands have long been part of the quintessential American experience. A New York Times article from July 1880 describes them popping up around New York City: "This cheap lemonade business has come very much to the front in New York within the last year or two," it said. "Before if a thirsty soul wanted a glass of lemonade, on a hot day, he had to go into some bar-room and pay 15 cents for it. Now, at any one of these lemonade stands — and scores of them have been established — a customer can have a glass of ice-cold lemonade made before his eyes for five cents."

Children eventually took over the trade, and for at least a few generations, parents have seen them as ways for their children to learn entrepreneurial skills while having fun.

Lemonade stands suffered early in the pandemic. Social distancing rules made them all but impossible. Now they are back in full force in cities and suburbs across America. While some families still use concentrate and card tables, others have become more ambitious: making DIY stands, buying special wardrobes for the occasion, advertising on social media and offering more upscale options (organic elderflower lemonade, anyone?). Additionally, many vendors are opting to donate their proceeds to charity.

Michael York, a Marine Corps veteran in East Bridgewater, Massachusetts, and his daughter, Aria, did not want to settle for a card table. "We spent one day building a lemonade stand ourselves," said Aria, who is 8. "We found wood down the street and decorated it. We used sparky black, blue, green and yellow paint to make a sign."

"It was so fun to make," she added.

Even after the pandemic, York, 36, has appreciated how bonding projects like this are for his family. "I kind of go overboard with everything we do with the kids," he said (he and his wife also have a 4-year-old daughter).

It was also important to him and his daughter that all the money go to a good cause: They raised $280 for Home Base, an organization that provides funds and clinical care to veterans and their families. ("That felt good," Aria said.)

And unlike their parents, children now have access to technology to help bolster profits.

For Carrie Weprin in the Boerum Hill neighborhood in the New York borough of Brooklyn, accepting payments through Venmo from people who didn't have cash was a game-changer.

And Weprin found that her children, Elijah, 5, and Naomi, 3, were tenacious salespeople: "Anytime somebody walked by and didn't stop, they were very vocal about it," said Weprin, 36, a documentary filmmaker. They "had no shame." In the wake of the school shooting in Uvalde, Texas, the family donated their proceeds to Everytown for Gun Safety, a nonprofit that advocates for gun control.

Children used to put up a lemonade stand and hope people saw it. Now they and their parents can promote stands through social media and text messaging.

"We used Facebook and Instagram to advertise, and a lot of people came," York said. "It felt like a special, one-day thing."

Michelle Park, a television journalist, had no idea what she was getting into when she let her children, Madeleine, 6, and Eloise, 3, do a lemonade stand on a Sunday last month. "I can't remember ever having one growing up. My parents were immigrants from Korea so it didn't cross their mind," she said. "This idea was all Eloise's idea."

"I saw someone do it outside the playground, and I wanted to also," the 3-year-old explained.

The original plan was to hold the event from 1 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. outside their home in Essex County, New Jersey. Park, 39, got two large folding tables and ordered yellow-and-white polka-dot tablecloths and kids T-shirts that said "lemonade stand boss" from Amazon.

They were going to hand-squeeze lemonade but soon realized that was going to take too long. "We ended up buying out the whole supermarket, like 10 cartons," she said, adding that "it was organic."

The children decided they wanted the money go to a GoFundMe for families impacted by the tragedy in Uvalde, so they asked for a $10 suggested donation for all-you-can-drink lemonade. (Park also put out goodies for the adults like hydration powder and hard seltzers. "I wanted people to leave with something more than a $10 cup of lemonade," she said.)

Park texted parents about the lemonade stand on multiple group chats. Forty people showed up, and about half stayed until 6:30 p.m. "We brought out whatever we had in the house: shrimp, cocktails, potato chips. We also ordered pizza," she said. "It turned into a big party with the kids playing and the adults hanging out."

"I felt a little shy at the beginning, but then my friends came and I had some courage, because I wanted to play with them," Madeleine said.

"It was a lot more planning and running around than I thought it would be. Who knew lemonade stands were this involved," Park said. "From now on, I will be supporting every single lemonade stand I see."

EX-ETIQUETTE

Learn to calmly solve co-parent time dispute

By Jann Blackstone
Tribune News Service

Q: My ex is always making plans for our child on my time, particularly when there is a holiday that requires some creativity to navigate. He looks for loopholes in the custody order to keep our son longer than he is supposed to. When I tell him to bring our son home, he gets angry and says, "He IS home!," then calls law enforcement, hoping the police will read the custody order as he does. My ex treats this like a game. He wins, I lose. It's exhausting and scaring our son. What's good ex-etiquette?

A: Well, it's certainly not a game, and disagreements can be exhausting if not handled constructively. Unfortunately, the only one who loses is your son.

"Time" often becomes a co-parenting bone of contention. But it's not your time or dad's time with your son. It's your son's time with both of you. Arguing over "time" and then calling the police to decide who is right is not putting your child first. It's putting you first.

As wild as it sounds, a dispute can be a teachable moment. Calmly disagreeing and working through the dispute teaches your children how to positively problem-solve. It teaches them respect. Granted, if your relationship has evolved into chaos, calling law enforcement is always an option, particularly if there is domestic violence and someone is not safe. But in cases where you simply disagree, calling the police doesn't teach your child how to solve a dispute. Better to head to co-parenting counseling and learn how to stop a disagreement spiral all by yourselves.



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My advice is to be proactive. Know that the calendar can influence your parenting plan. Reread your order prior to the big holidays and anticipate problems ahead of time. If you don't agree, look for the compromise. Consider what would be easiest on your son.

CELEBRITIES

Ada Limon named US poet laureate

From news services



Ada Limon will begin her term as the 24th U.S. poet laureate on Sept. 29. SHAWN MILLER/LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

The country's next poet laureate, Ada Limon, has long thought of her work as a public art form.

"I grew up with poetry being in the community," says Limon, a native of Sonoma, California. "It wasn't supposed to just be something read on page; it was supposed be read out loud. ... It's the oral tradition. That part of poetry has always remained true to me."

On Tuesday, the Library of Congress announced that Limon, 46, had been named the 24th U.S. poet laureate, officially called the Poet Laureate Consultant in Poetry. Her yearlong term begins Sept. 29 with the traditional reading at the Library's Coolidge Auditorium. Limon, who succeeds Joy Harjo, is an award-winning and unusually popular poet, her acclaimed collection "Bright Dead Things" selling more than 40,000 copies. She has published six books of poetry, most recently "The Hurting Kind," and also hosts the podcast "The Slowdown."

"Ada Limon is a poet who connects," Librarian of Congress Carla Hayden said in a statement. "Her accessible, engaging poems ground us in where we are and who we share our world with. They speak of intimate truths, of the beauty and heartbreak that is living, in ways that help us move forward."

Laureates receive a $35,000 stipend, along with $5,000 for travel expenses.

Disney+ to launch three shows with BTS: K-pop boy band BTS and Disney+ are collaborating on three separate projects, their teams announced Monday.

Among the projects are "BTS: Permission to Dance on Stage — LA," a concert film of the band's November 2021 show at Los Angeles' Sofi Stadium.

Docuseries "BTS Monuments: Beyond the Star," expected to be out next year, "follows the incredible journey of 21st century pop icons BTS."

Travel reality show "In the Soop: Friendcation" will send BTS' V, Itaewon Class' Seo-jun Park, "Parasite" star Woo-shik Choi, Hyung-sik Park and Peakboy on a surprise trip.

"We believe these new titles will captivate consumers worldwide and look forward to introducing more music content on our service," Jessica Kam-Engle, Disney's head of content for Asia Pacific, said in a statement.

Mendes cancels tour dates: The stress of a world tour has gotten to Canadian singer-songwriter Shawn Mendes, who announced he is taking a break to focus on his mental health. "Wonder: The World Tour" is on hold for three weeks — affecting 12 concert dates in all.

Mendes said in an Instagram post Friday that he has discussed the situation with his team as well as health professionals and he has decided to prioritize self care.

"I need to take some time to heal and take care of myself and my mental health, first and foremost," he wrote.

Mendes will resume the North American leg of his tour on July 31 in Toronto.

July 13 birthdays: TV personality Johnny Gilbert is 94. Actor Patrick Stewart is 82. Musician Roger McGuinn is 80. Actor Harrison Ford is 80. Actor Cheech Marin is 76. Actor Daphne Maxwell Reid is 74. Actor Didi Conn is 71. Actor Gil Birmingham is 69. Director Cameron Crowe is 65. Actor Ken Jeong is 53. Singer Leon Bridges is 33.



ASK AMY

By Amy Dickinson

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Foster parent gets no support from brother

Dear Amy: I am a foster parent. I'm happily single, in my 40s, and my parents recently moved nearby.

While they are supportive of my decision, my brother has been vocal in his lack of support.

He has written me emails expressing "concern" that my foster daughter will infect my parents with COVID-19 due to her young age (3) and the fact that she is not yet vaccinated.

He wrote me an email suggesting that I return her to the agency due to her behaviors, stating that I was putting someone else's child before our own parents. I ignored these emails, as they did not warrant a response.

I sought out therapy due to his berating me (which has occurred throughout my entire life).

I am in a healthier place, and my foster daughter's behaviors have simmered down after an adjustment period.

Fortunately, my brother and his family live nine hours away.

However, our parents seem eager for them to visit the new home and spend holidays together.

I have never complained about their closeness to my brother. After all, he is their son. Even so, I do not feel comfortable pretending that everything is fine between my brother and me.

Even though they moved to be near me, they always seem to take his side. My mother makes comments about how she wishes the two of us were closer.

I realize I may not have many more holidays to celebrate with my parents.

How can I make them happy without putting myself in a potentially miserable situation?

— *Marley*

Dear Marley: Weirdly, it sometimes seems that parents will "side" with a miscreant sibling, when they are actually trying to sell you on a sibling relationship that they wish was better. They're trying to convince you that he's a good guy.

Every parent wants their children to form a very happy unit, but it often does not work that way. Many people wouldn't choose to be friends with siblings, and yet they are yoked together for much of life.

I'm sorry to report this, but you may not be able to make your folks happy about this relationship. Your brother bullied you in childhood and continues to bully you now. This even seems to be filtering down to the child you've taken into your heart.

Of course you don't want to spend time with him! And because he has shown such hostility toward your child, it might not be wise to expose her to him.

I suggest that you take this situation one holiday at a time. Minimize your contact with your brother, and reassure your folks that this is not their problem to fix.

Dear Amy: When I got divorced about 16 years ago, it coincided with my adult child moving out of the house. I started using the sound of television for company not only during waking hours, but I let it play through the night. What started out as a pacifier has now become a terrible habit. I cannot fall asleep or stay asleep if the TV isn't running in the same room.

The problem is the TV running in the room seems to wake me every 60 to 90 minutes throughout the night. I have tried going cold turkey by not turning the TV on at all, but I just lay there for hours in darkness getting frustrated. I have tried using the TV's automatic timer, so it shuts itself off about an hour after I get into bed, but then it seems like the silence wakes me as soon as it clicks off.

Do you have any suggestions on how I can break this terrible habit?

— *Constantly Tuned In*

Dear Constantly: The light from the TV might be awakening you. Switching to audio-only could work.

There are a number of apps that attempt to tackle insomnia, using everything from white noise, nature sounds and even extremely boring bedtime stories.

The American Sleep Association has a number of recommendations.

Dear Amy: Your advice to "Dedicated Master Gardener" spoke to me. Like this writer, I'm an avid gardener, and I learned the hard way not to offer unsolicited feedback about others' plantings.

— *Growing*

Dear Growing: I'm also an avid gardener. Learning as you grow is rarely pretty — but it's effective.

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'Women Who Rock' docuseries a deep dive into female pioneers

By Mark Kennedy
Associated Press



Mavis Staples, seen March 10, is among the performers featured in "Women Who Rock." EVAN AGOSTINI/INVISION

As a percussion protégé growing up in the Bay Area, Sheila Escovedo would ask visiting bands if she could sit in. She was often told to beat it.

"They're looking at me like, well, 'You're a girl. Go away.' They would push their hand like, 'Get out of here,'" Escovedo recalls. "I was told, 'You're a girl, you can't, and you won't, and you don't.' And, 'There's no way.'"

Thankfully, Escovedo found a way, becoming Sheila E., the Grammy-nominated, gold record-making drummer who collaborated with Prince, performed at the Oscars and supplied music for soundtracks, mammoth sporting events and world tours.

She and other women in rock have faced similar disbelief and hostility. "I think that the common thread for women in general, and especially being in the music business, is really staying true to who you are and allowing that to be OK," she said.

A deep dive into rock's female pioneers like Sheila E. forms the backbone of the four-part docuseries "Women Who Rock," which recently debuted on Epix. Director Jessica Hopper says the series offers a look at far more than just rock stars.

"Just like you can't separate art from artists, you can't separate music from culture. If you tell these stories, you are telling this broader story of America," said Hopper.

The series features appearances by Nancy Wilson of Heart, Chaka Khan, Pat Benatar, Mavis Staples, Shania Twain, Macy Gray, Rickie Lee Jones, Norah Jones, Aimee Mann, Tori Amos, Kate Pierson of the B-52's, Tina Weymouth of Talking Heads, Nona Hendryx, Susanna Hoffs of the Bangles, Jody Watley, St. Vincent, Kathleen Hanna of Bikini Kill and Kim Gordon of Sonic Youth, among others.

The docuseries moves chronologically from the birth of rock 'n' roll, where women weren't taken seriously, to the present day, where they have seized both production credits and technology to blaze their own independent paths. It's been an uphill climb for most.

It may come as no surprise that Staples kicks off the series. At the fulcrum of gospel, blues and R&B, she is the connection between Mahalia Jackson and Bob Dylan, Prince and Norah Jones. The fact that Staples was on board helped persuade others.

"There are few folks whose voices were so integral to sound-tracking change in America as Mavis. And so getting to start with Mavis really kind of set a bar for how we moved through the rest of the series," said Hopper.

The show highlights a makeshift sisterhood of artists, with Mary Clayton mentored by Odetta, Hendryx mentored by Nina Simone, and Khan reaching back to Staples. "Each of these women really provides a rung for the women that we meet next," said Hopper, a music journalist before moving to directing and producing documentary work.

The series explores the rise of men and women onstage together in bands like the Pretenders, the B-52's, Talking Heads and Blondie, and the music industry's exploitation of Black artists, from gospel to disco. Audiences see how the MTV revolution in the 1980s prized image and the later arrivals of solo superstars Twain, Lady Gaga and Beyonce.

Wilson feels the progress that women made in the '70s stalled as MTV took hold and has only built back since the 1990s, pointing to such acts as Phoebe Bridgers, Wet Leg, Lucius, Sharon Van Etten and Angel Olsen — or, as she puts it, "girl players out there who are really taking no prisoners."

The sisterhood helped and so did the democracy of technology, allowing all artists the skills to engineer, produce and craft their music, bypassing the traditional gatekeepers. Another artist featured is singer-songwriter Star Amerasu, a trans musician who makes her living through Patreon, a crowdfunding platform.

HOROSCOPES

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Aries (March 21-April 19): It could be time for an impromptu summer cleaning. Family members or friends that have been in your life for ages may have some free time today, and you might be able to convince them to help you tidy up.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): Health goals might be on your mind. Your support system may be planning a workout session, and tagging along with them can help you develop a new habit for you. Your diet can also see improvements now, and you're capable of fueling your body in ways that make you feel more energetic.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): You may have been increasingly active or overwhelmed lately. Recharging your batteries might be at the bottom of your to-do list. Take some time for yourself, even if it's just 20 minutes, to sort through your thoughts and feelings rather than immediately jumping to the next thing.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): The vision for your future may be changing. A desire for something you've wanted a long time could be fading, only to be replaced by a new dream. You could begin editing your goals to fit a new perspective. There's no shame in realizing that you're ready to pivot!

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): Your popularity might be increasing today. Some good news that reflects positively on you could circulate with your co-workers, schoolmates or even social media followers. Allow the people who love you to celebrate and inspire you to do even more!

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Being a busy bee is very likely at this time. You might have several places to go or a long list of activities, and your schedule will probably keep you on your toes. Remember that you're not meant to make yourself smaller and blend in. Don't let your worries keep you from doing everything you want.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You may be speaking on behalf of an issue close to your heart, either to a large crowd or just one person. No matter the size of the group you're speaking to, they have the potential to hear something meaningful in your words. Speak with clarity and you could change someone's mind.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Relationships might take a turn for the better. It may feel easier to communicate your feelings to a loved one today, when normally it could be difficult to come to an agreement. With the right approach, you can create stronger bonds to overcome your differences today.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Collaboration with an inspiring peer may be on today's game plan. Now is likely a positive time for you when it comes to love or friendship, and someone might be willing to have a chill night with you. Some invigorating conversation could spark something incredible for everyone.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): You may have gotten better rest last night or gotten a dose of caffeine this morning, and it's likely having a positive effect on your productivity and your creativity. You might be able to solve a problem for someone in your life as well, but make sure they ask for your help before you give it to them.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You might find that you're more isolated now, but this isn't a bad thing. This doesn't mean everyone's abandoned you — you're receiving a chance to think about what's going on in your life without outside chaos cutting in. Pay some attention to the ambitions important to you.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): Someone may need your help, and your ability to think outside the box could get them out of a pinch. This might also be something that you've never done before, so your innovative approach could give them a new perspective. Your quick thinking is your best asset here.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Associated Press

On July 13, 1923, a sign consisting of 50-foot-tall letters spelling out "HOLLYWOODLAND" was dedicated in the Hollywood Hills (the last four letters were removed in 1949).

In 1965, President Lyndon B. Johnson nominated Thurgood Marshall to be U.S. Solicitor General.

In 1974, the Senate Watergate Committee proposed sweeping reforms in an effort to prevent another Watergate scandal.

In 1985, "Live Aid," an international rock concert in London, Philadelphia, Moscow and Sydney, took place to raise money for Africa's starving people.

In 2016, Theresa May entered No. 10 Downing Street as Britain's new prime minister following a bittersweet exit by David Cameron, who resigned after vote.

In 2020, Washington's NFL franchise dropped the "Redskins" name and Indian head logo.

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5 "Not __ Stranger"; Sinatra movie
6 Letters before Missouri or Arizona
7 "Live and __ Die"; 007 film
8 Isaac or Howard
9 Actress Matlin
10 Cartoon character Fudd & others
11 __ Tim; "Tiptoe Through the Tulips" singer
19 Short sleep
21 Suffix for fool or ghoul
23 Charley horse, for one
24 "The __ Duke Show"
25 Santa's helpers
29 Kicks out
30 Zellweger & others
31 Late coach Parseghian
33 Actor French
34 180 degrees from WNW
36 Rob or Will
37 Coin toss call
38 Actor Davis
39 One of the Simpsons
41 French waters
44 "__ Van Winkle"
45 Special order shoe
46 Long or Peeples

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SPIDERS

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P R O M I S I N G

JUMBLE

JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

FENGI

DULEE

RODAFE

SECASC

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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
by David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



Check out the new, free JUST JUMBLE app

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

( ) ( ) ( ) ( ) " ( ) ( ) - ( ) ( ) ( ) ( ) ( ) "

(Answers tomorrow)

Jumbles: FEIGN ELUDE FEDORA ACCESS
Answer: The karate instructor installed his own wrought iron because he wanted — SELF "DE-FENCE"

ARROW WORDS

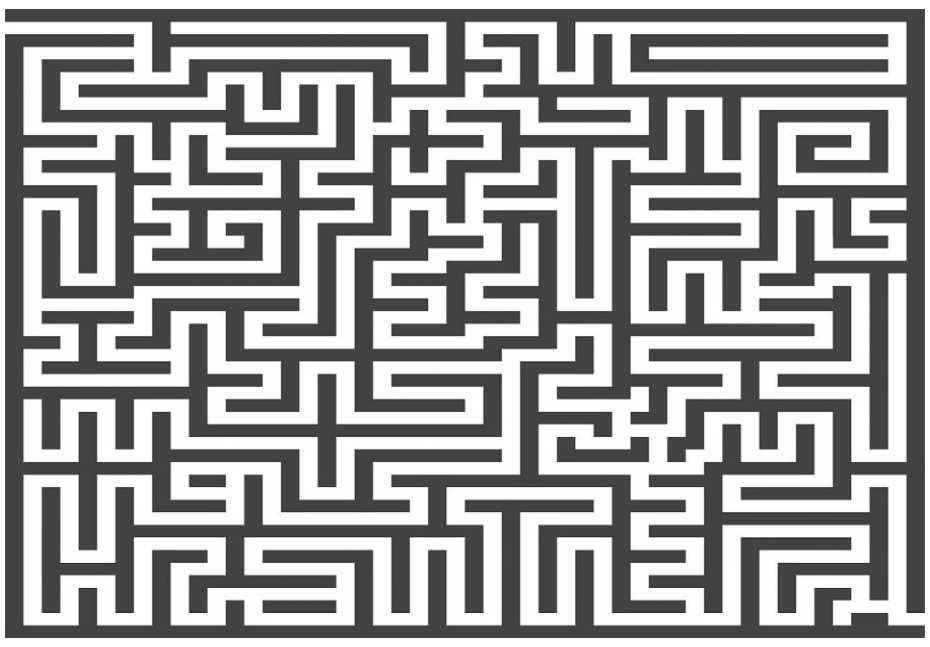
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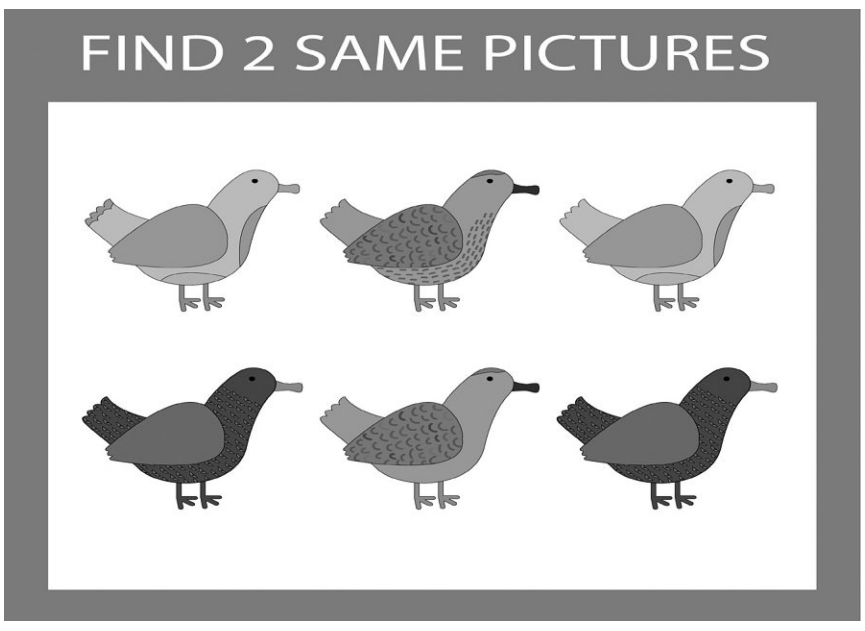
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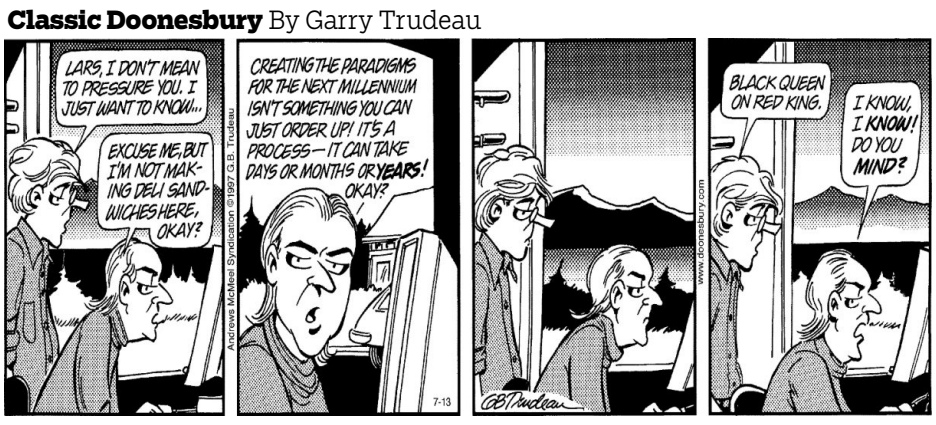




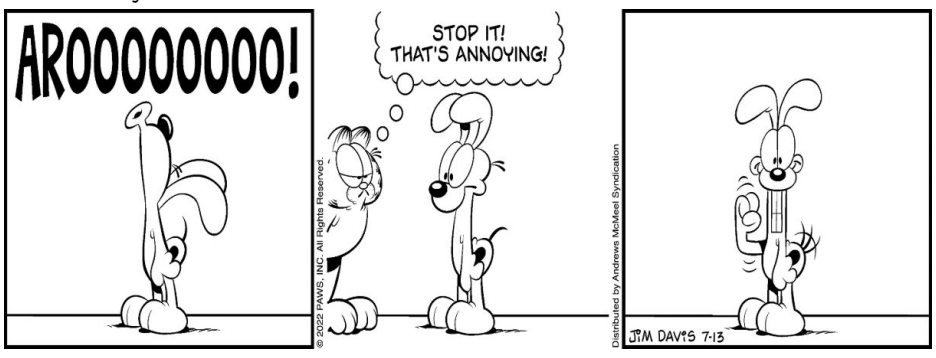
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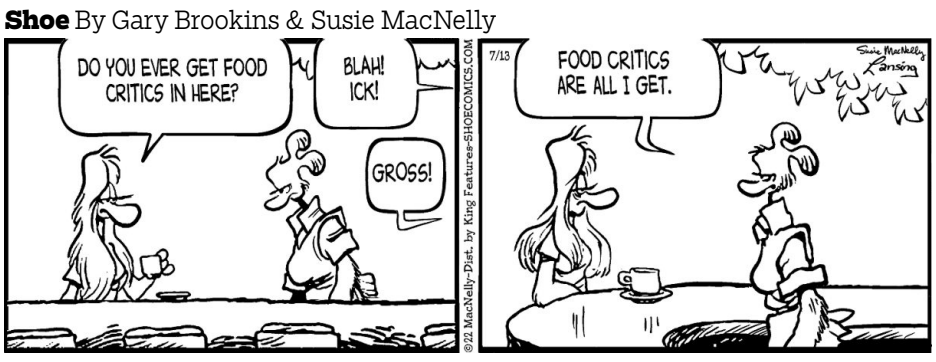
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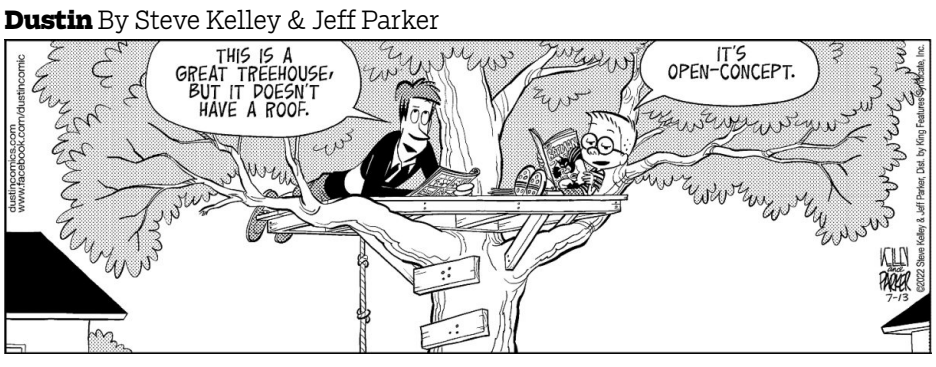
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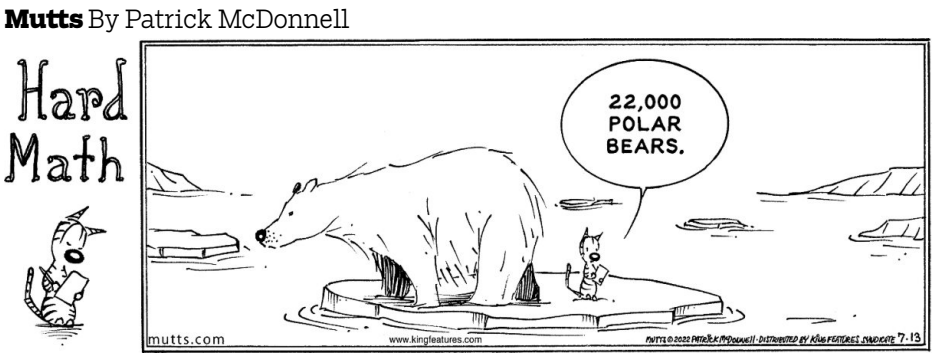
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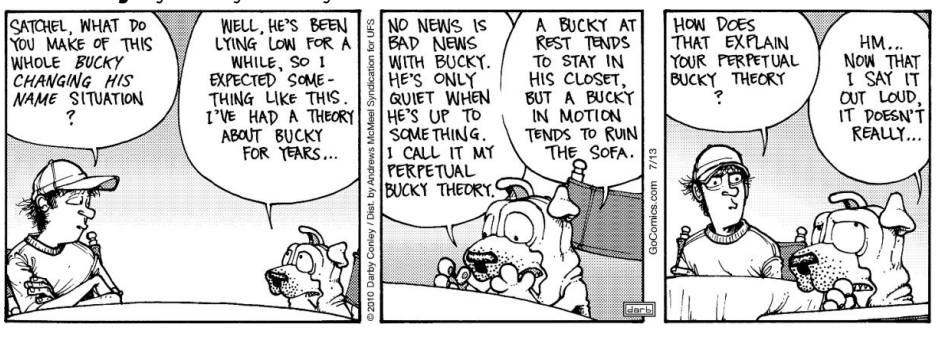
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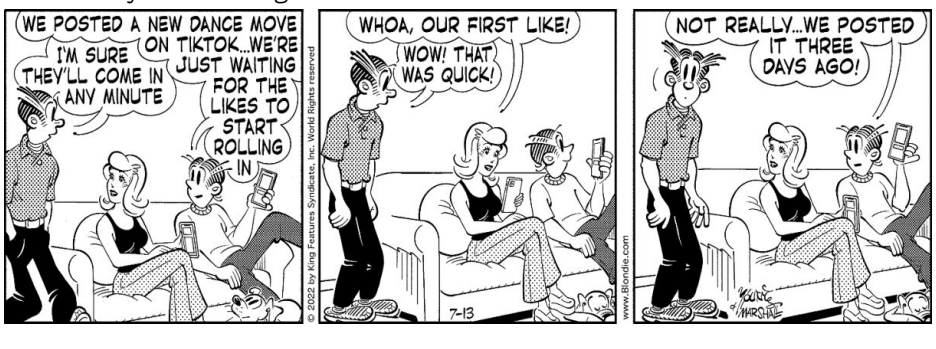
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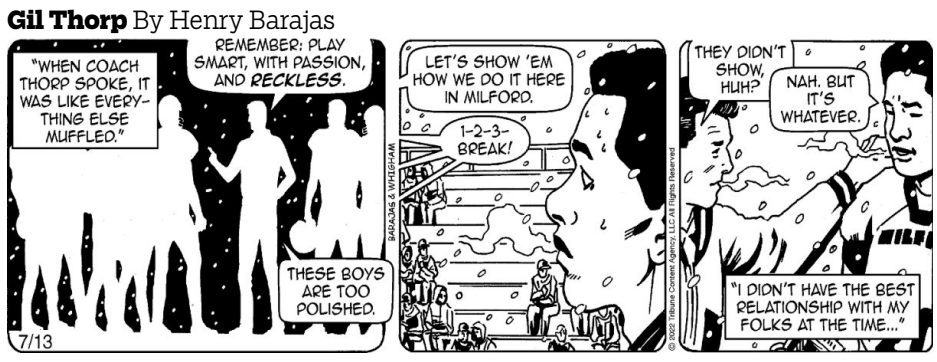
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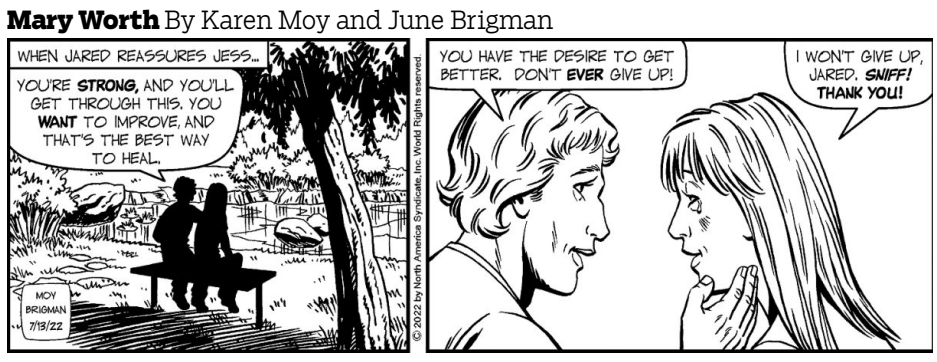
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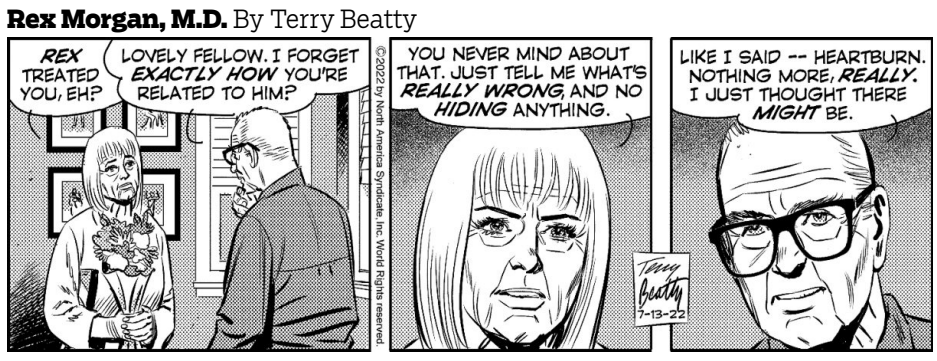
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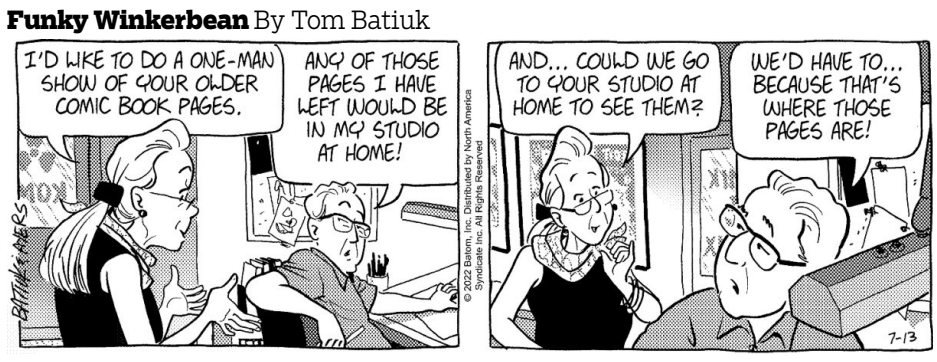
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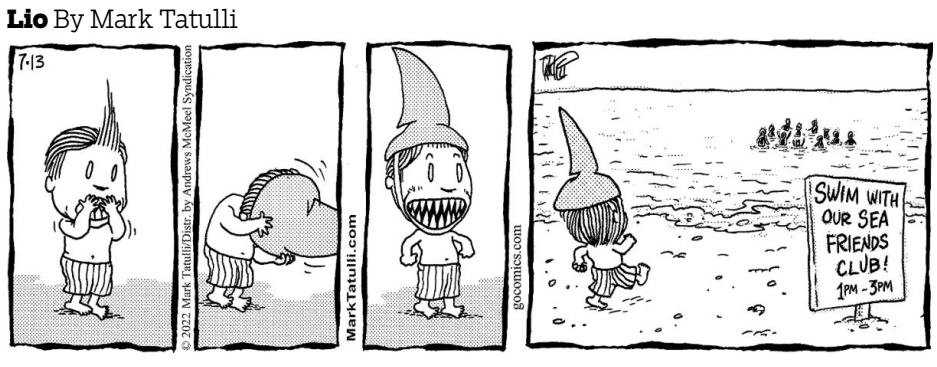
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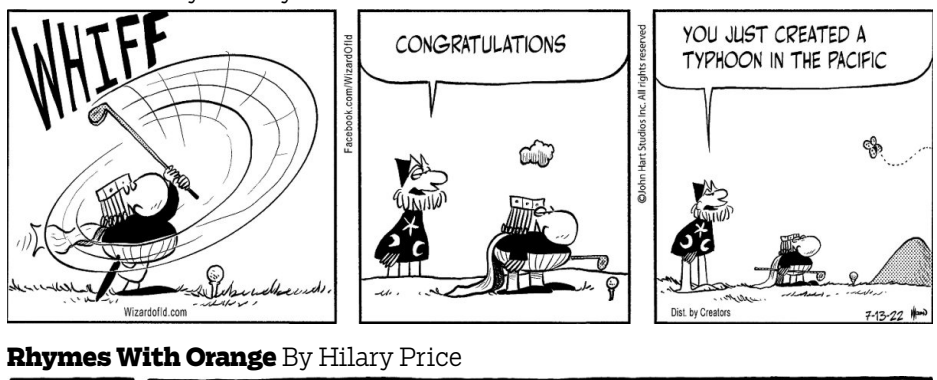
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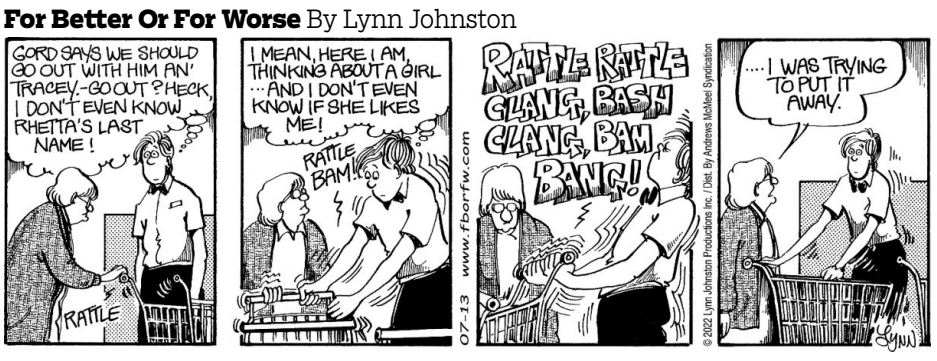
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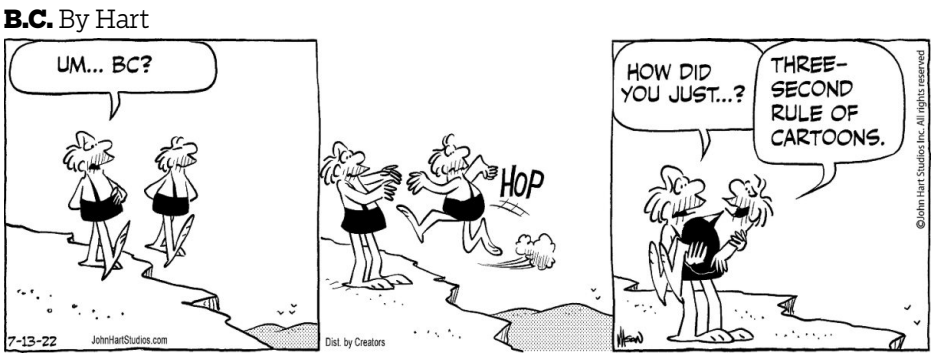
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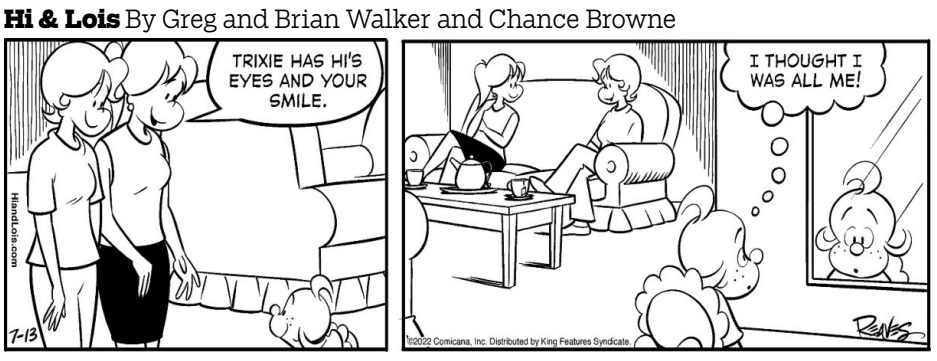
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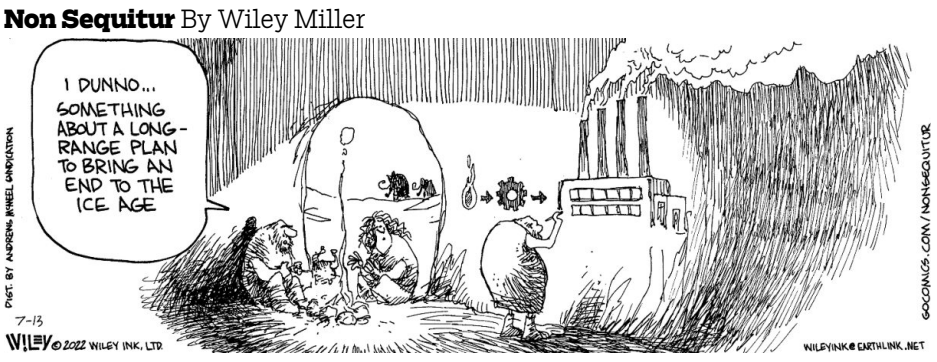
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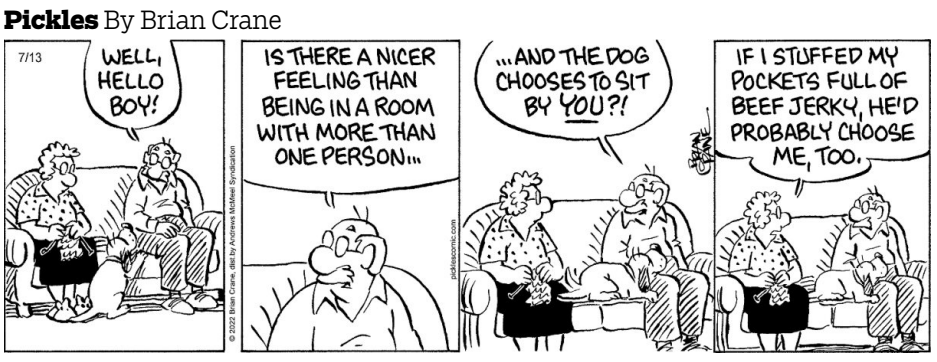
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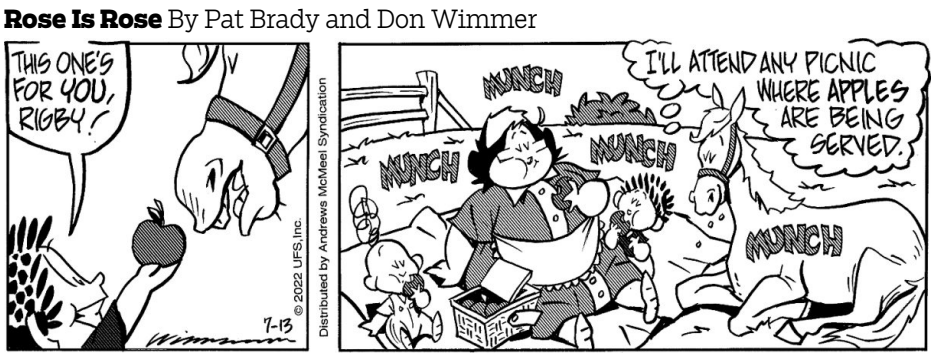
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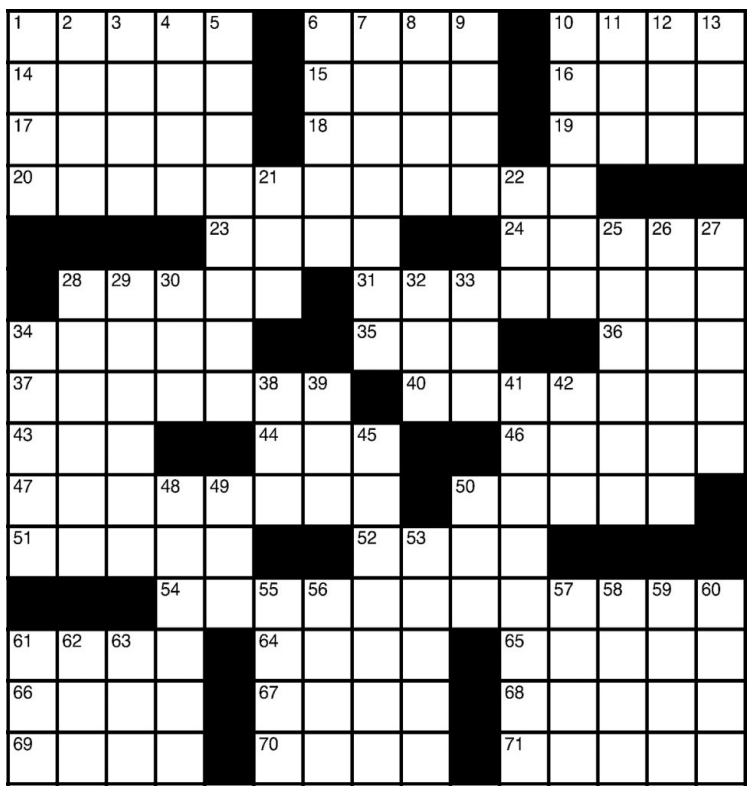
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Across

1 Monastery figure
6 Move quickly, as clouds
10 Speak up?
14 Jazz singer Vaughan known as "The Divine One"
15 Despise
16 Lingerie trim
17 Speak from a lectern
18 "C'est la vie"
19 Bronze, Iron, et al.
20 *Fried fare traditionally wrapped in newspaper
23 "Allow me"
24 Pal
28 Rx
31 *Missing nothing
34 Colorful South Asian garments
35 Veer off course, as a rocket
36 __ Dhabi
37 *With 40-Across, defenders of the Holy Grail
40 See 37-Across
43 Golf hole meas.
44 "Bingo!"
46 Straight up
47 *Monkeys, e.g.
50 Pfizer rival
51 Lightens up
52 Grocery cart unit
54 "Do it now!," and what can be said about the answers to the starred clues
61 __ carotene
64 Travel aimlessly
65 Clamor
66 Depleted Asian lake
67 Journey
68 Familiar "Who's there?" reply
69 Jokes
70 __ cracker
71 Like dry mud on cleats

Down

1 Starting from
2 Italian port on the Adriatic
3 Garments with hooks
4 Part of a swearing-in ceremony
5 Community with barn raisings
6 Suitable for hosta
7 Turn to stone
8 Four Corners state
9 Javier's "Being the Ricardos" role
10 Flat panel TV type
11 Ride (on)
12 Card worth four points in evaluating a bridge hand
13 "Bingo!"
21 Snooze
22 Cooking spray
25 Slanted, as some writing
26 "Retreat!!"
27 Sky blue
28 Oh of "Killing Eve"
29 Urgent event
30 Fix badly?
32 Tell (on)
33 Be in debt
34 Zoom alternative
38 Tit for __
39 __ shed
41 "Super heroes must eat oats" for the Great Lakes, e.g.
42 __ favor
45 "Let me repeat ... "
48 Bronze, iron, et al.
49 Fire pit residue
50 Chaps
53 Super Bowl LV city
55 The "A" in many degrees
56 Fatty tuna, at a sushi bar
57 Personnel list
58 Spine component
59 "Twilight" vampire Cullen
60 Wetlands plant
61 Sack
62 "It's the end of an __"
63 Label



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BRIDGE

BY STEVE BECKER

South dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH
♠ 7 6 2
♥ Q 10 9 5 2
♦ A J 8
♣ K 8

WEST
♠ J 10 9 8 4
♥ 7
♦ 9 4
♣ 10 7 6 3 2

EAST
♠ A 5 3
♥ 8 3
♦ Q 10 7 2
♣ A Q J 5

SOUTH
♠ K Q
♥ A K J 6 4
♦ K 6 5 3
♣ 9 4

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1 ♥	Pass	3 ♥	Pass
4 ♥			

Opening lead — jack of spades.

The vicissitudes of fortune

It has been said that bridge has all the excitement of war, with only 10 percent of the danger. But in some hands, even the 10 percent can be reduced to zero, as witness this deal played in four hearts.

East won the spade lead with the ace and returned a spade to South's king. Declarer drew two rounds of trump ending in his hand and then led a low diamond to the jack. East took the queen and returned a spade, ruffed by South.

Declarer now cashed the A-K of diamonds, hoping the suit would divide 3-3, in which case he would discard a club from dummy on his fourth diamond. But when the diamonds failed to break evenly and East later turned up with the ace of clubs, South had to go down one.

Certainly South was unlucky. He would have made the contract if West had held the queen of diamonds, if the diamonds had divided 3-3, or if West had held the ace of clubs. Nevertheless, declarer should have made the contract despite his bad luck.

He should have started by drawing trump ending in dummy, ruffed dummy's last spade and then led a low diamond to dummy's eight! East would win with the ten but would be endplayed. Whatever he returned — whether a diamond, a club or a spade (if he had one) — would cost his side a trick, as well as the contract.

Nor could West alter the outcome by putting up the nine on the first diamond lead toward dummy. Declarer would simply cover the nine with the jack, and East would again find himself endplayed.

Indeed, regardless of the actual lie of the opposing cards, the deep diamond finesse reduces declarer's chance of losing the contract to zero.

Tomorrow: Bad bidding sometimes pays off.

JUMBLE

BY DAVID HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

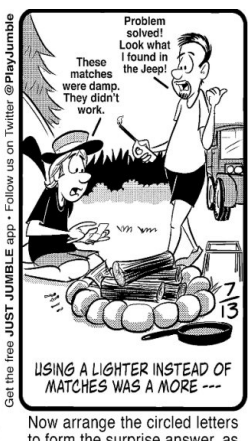
Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

FLYIL

SVIAT

SUWEIN

RFETRE



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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: GAVEL CREEK GRITTY AZALEA
Answer: Avoiding capture was tough for King Kong because he was — LARGE AT LARGE

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TODAY'S SUDOKU

	8	7	5				3	
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			9	2				
	9		4		6		7	
				8	3			
	6	8						2
							4	
	5				1	6	9	

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit **www.sudoku.org.uk**

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

9	5	6	1	3	2	7	8	4
2	8	4	9	7	5	3	1	6
7	3	1	4	8	6	2	9	5
8	1	7	2	5	4	6	3	9
4	6	2	3	9	7	8	5	1
3	9	5	8	6	1	4	7	2
1	2	3	7	4	9	5	6	8
5	7	9	6	2	8	1	4	3
6	4	8	5	1	3	9	2	7

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS CROSSWORD PUZZLE

N	A	P	A		A	L	M	O	S	T		I	C	E
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C	H	I	R	P		F	R	E	N	E	M	I	E	S
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ZIPPY "NED'S NEEDS" BILL GRIFFITH



Co-director 'not allowed a voice growing up'

Documentary on youth mental health tackles urgent topic



Heidi Stevens
Balancing Act



First lady Jill Biden, who is seen June 17, tweeted after a White House screening of excerpts, "I am in awe of these young Americans who so bravely shared their mental health journeys in @KenBurns' new @PBS documentary, Hiding In Plain Sight. ... I hope their courageous stories will help others, too." **SUSAN WALSH/AP**

Erik Ewers, co-director of the new Ken Burns documentary "Hiding in Plain Sight: Youth Mental Illness," had an epiphany while he was filming.

It was about his own mental health, which he and his parents had the foresight to address when he was a kid — a relative rarity in that era; Ewers is 53. He said his parents used to drive him an hour or so each way to see a psychiatrist, where he learned to name some of his feelings and fears and stop blaming himself for most of them.

But then he'd go home.

"And without my father or my mother changing, I was pigeonholed back into that same kid again and again," he said. "And I suffered long-term consequences."

It occurred to him while he was listening to the 23 young people whose stories are woven throughout the documentary — really listening to them. In how many spaces do young people actually feel heard? Believed? Validated?

He felt listened to and known inside the psychiatrist's office, but not in the moments outside of it. And that wasn't enough to heal.

"I was not allowed a voice growing up," he said. "I was not allowed an opinion. I was not allowed to be my own person, and that can be hugely damaging as a teenager trying to find your voice and your place. And I instinctively did that to my kids to some degree. And to my wife."

Filming the documentary was his invitation to continue the work he started as a kid. To find and use a different way to love his family. He calls the work "brutal" but worth it. He hopes the film invites a similar reckoning — or other recognizing — for anyone who watches it.

"Hiding in Plain Sight," a two-part, four-hour film, is available on pbs.org and Amazon Prime Video. It uses first-person accounts to look at mental disorders, the systems we have in place to identify and treat them, the stigma surrounding them and the people impacted by them.

I can't imagine a more urgent topic, as we grapple with the latest round of gun violence — now the leading cause of death for children and teens in America. As we watch the Supreme Court roll back reproductive rights and hamper efforts to slow climate change. As we remain bitterly divided over the obvious results of a free and fair presidential election from two years prior.

Our kids are watching it all, wondering how and where to invest their time, their hearts, their heads. Wondering where, if any place, they're safe.

Ewers, his crew and the film's stars were invited to screen excerpts from the documentary for policymakers at the U.S. Capitol Visitor Center and the White House at the end of June. First lady Jill Biden attended the White House screening and tweeted about it afterward: "I am in awe of these young Americans who so bravely shared their mental health journeys in @KenBurns' new @PBS documentary, Hiding In Plain Sight. I had the honor of meeting many of them a few weeks ago, and I hope their courageous stories will help others, too."

Ewers is hoping schools around the nation will add the documentary to their curriculum. "Even if kids see small clips, a 10-minute section, they can say, 'Oh wow, I can talk about that,'" he said. "Or if they don't talk about it, they might listen to ways they can help themselves or their friends or their sibling."

I asked Ewers if he thought his childhood home was a metaphor for our nation. If we're teaching kids to open up and name their feelings and fears and admit they need help, but then we're not doing our part to change the climate and culture around them. Maybe America's the mom and dad that fail to change our ways.

Maybe, Ewers said. But young people don't seem all that interested in waiting for the rest of us to catch up, he said. They're pretty set on changing the world with or without us.

"Younger people are more outspoken, more empathetic, more accommodating on mental illness," he said. "We haven't had the voice of the people demanding better attention for mental health, because it was too buried in stigma and shame before."

I think that's a great point.

It also reminds me of a quote I love, which I first heard from Massachusetts Rep. Ayanna Pressley: "The people closest to the pain should be closest to the power."

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RED SOX

Low expectations in Sale's return to mound

By Jason Mastrodonato
Boston Herald

Tuesday night, for the first time since last October, Chris Sale will take the mound for the Red Sox.

Facing the Tampa Bay Rays in a key battle amongst two teams fighting for American League Wild Card spots, Sale will look to build on his last outing in Triple-A Worcester, where he threw just 42 strikes on 72 pitches while walking five batters and striking out five.

He made a lasting impression in the Woo Sox' tunnel, where he destroyed a TV out of frustration with his poor performance, but the Red Sox are hoping he can reign in that energy with a big start against the Rays.

They sure need him.

They've been without Nathan Eovaldi and Garrett Whitlock in the rotation since June 8. Michael Wacha and Rich Hill are also on

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Red Sox starting pitcher Chris Sale throws to a Rays batter during the first inning Tuesday in St. Petersburg, Fla. SCOTT AUDETTE/AP

YANKEES

Club tries to manage Severino's workload

By Kristie Ackert
New York Daily News

NEW YORK — Luis Severino has seemingly turned back the clock. After three frustrating seasons basically lost to injuries, the right-hander has reminded everyone in baseball that he was once considered the Yankees' ace and a Cy Young contender.

Now, the Yankees have to try to keep him that way.

Though they have played down the idea of innings limits, the Bombers are actively managing his workload, and that will become even more apparent in the second half of the season. Severino was lined up to pitch on Tuesday night, but the Yankees pushed him back. Gerrit Cole took the ball in the series opener against the Reds, meaning he would be the one who gets two

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GOLF BRITISH OPEN

This may be Woods' last trip to St. Andrews

Tiger unsure about return to course, which would be 4 years away

By Doug Ferguson
Associated Press

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland — Whether it's on Friday or Sunday, Tiger Woods will cross over the Swilcan Bridge for the final time in the British Open at St. Andrews.

He just doesn't know if that means this year or forever.

"Who knows?" Woods said Tuesday, unwilling to contemplate a future in golf he knows so little about. The Open isn't likely to return to the Old Course for at least four years, probably a bit longer. Woods is 46 and with what he described as "a lot of hardware" in his right leg that was pieced back together following his February 2021 car crash.

"I don't know — if it is that long — whether I will be able to physically compete at this level by then," Woods said. "It's also one of the reasons why I wanted to play in this championship. I don't know what my career is going to be like. I'm not going to play a full schedule ever again. My body just won't allow me to do that.

"I don't know how many Open Championships I have left here at St. Andrews, but I wanted this one," he said. "It started here for me in '95, and if it ends here in '22, it does. If it doesn't, it doesn't. If I get the chance to play one more, it would be great. But there's no guarantee."

And he is leaving nothing to chance.

In the other two majors he played this year, at the Masters and PGA Championship, Woods played only 27 holes of practice ahead of the opening round.

He played Ballybunion in Ireland last week with Rory McIlroy. He walked 18 holes with a wedge and a putter on Saturday evening at St. Andrews. He played 18 holes on Sunday, and then nine holes each of the last two days. Throw in the four-hole exhibition and that's more than his previous two majors combined.

Woods wasn't kidding when he said he wasn't about to miss this Open at St. Andrews, the 150th edition of golf's oldest championship. He won two of his three Opens on the Old Course.

"Yesterday for those four holes, he was moving better than I'd seen him move in a while," said McIlroy, who played the "Celebration of Champions" with Woods over the four-hole loop on Monday. "That was really good to see. And his swing ... hitting the golf ball and swinging the club aren't the issue. It's the walking

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UCONN WOMEN'S BASKETBALL



UConn women's basketball 2023 commit Kamorea "KK" Arnold, left, scored 27 points in a win Monday at Nike Nationals in Chicago. LILA BROMBERG/HARTFORD COURANT

SPECIAL 'KK'

2023 commit Kamorea Arnold impresses at Nike Nationals

By Lila Bromberg
Hartford Courant

Kamorea "KK" Arnold didn't hesitate. She received a pass at the top of the key, quickly set her feet and let it fly. Swish. The UConn women's basketball Class of 2023 commit set the tone early in Monday's game at the Nike Nationals — that was the first possession. A few plays later she drained another triple from the same spot. Arnold went on to make five 3-pointers, scoring 27 points, while also adding four rebounds and four assists in leading her AAU team, All Iowa Attack, to a 61-55 win.

It was one of several impressive performances in the tournament for the 5-foot-6 point guard who committed to the Huskies in November. She looked every bit the part of a top five-star recruit as she averaged 16.2 points, 5.0 rebounds and 4.6 assists while shooting 41.4% from deep through five games.

"I don't want to say that we've seen a difference in her work ethic, but I think it's even more because she knows now where she'll be going and what that will be like," her mom, Kim Arnold, told The Courant. "We've seen a growth and development over this past AAU season, over these last few months."

Part of that growth has been getting more comfortable shooting the ball from long range this AAU season, her first with All Iowa Attack. She joined the program to face better competition and learn under coach Dickson Jensen with goals of preparing for her future with the Huskies in mind.

"He's been telling me, 'Just pull it,' " Arnold said. "That last game they [defenders] were back at the free-throw line, so having the confidence in me just to shoot it and then just having confidence in myself is really big."

Arnold showed off her versatility throughout the

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— Kim Arnold, Kamorea's mother

UCONN BASEBALL

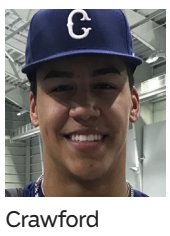
Two-way star Crawford transfers to Tennessee in advance of draft

Top prospect may never suit up for Vols, though

By Dom Amore
Hartford Courant

Reggie Crawford, a two-way prospect expected to be taken in the first round of Sunday's MLB Draft, has likely played his last college game. But if he does play again as an amateur, it will not be for UConn, but for Tennessee.

Crawford, who went into the transfer portal in June, announced his decision to transfer on Tuesday.



Crawford

"Thank you to everyone at UConn for an unbelievable past couple of years," Crawford said via his Twitter account. "I am extremely thankful for Coach [Jim] Penders as well as the rest of the coaching staff, my teammates, friends, etc., who made it such a great experience. I will forever be grateful."

Crawford hit .309 with 14 homers and 78 RBI in 64 games for UConn in 2020 and '21. He then impressed scouts as a pitcher in the Cape Cod League and for Team USA last summer, hitting 101 mph. But he missed the entire 2022 season after undergoing Tommy John surgery in October. He is still expected to be a first-round pick, but this move could give him more negotiating leverage. He could turn down a major-league team and play for a perennial SEC powerhouse program if he cannot come to terms. UConn reached the NCAA super regional, eliminated at Stanford. Tennessee was the top overall seed in the NCAA Tournament but was eliminated by Notre Dame in the super regional.

"No surprise. Reggie sat with me face to face when we got back from Stanford and we talked it all over," Penders said. "I'm excited for him. He feels as though it's the best thing for him and his family and we're always going to support that, whatever that is."

Various draft analysts project Crawford, 6 feet 4 and 235 pounds from Frackville, Pa., going anywhere from the middle of the first round to early in the second

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8 p.m.: MLS Soccer Sporting Kansas City at Minnesota United FC. (Live) ESPN
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10:30 p.m.: Copa do Brazil Soccer Ceara vs Fortaleza. (Same-day Tape) FSP




Yankees pitcher Luis Severino delivers during a game against the Pirates on July 6 in Pittsburgh. **GENE J. PUSKAR/AP**

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starts this week heading into the All-Star break.

That limits Severino and Nestor Cotes as they head into the break.

"We've done it a little bit already. Bumping Sevy back here to Wednesday prevents him from making two more before the break. We'll slot him in on that weekend probably in Baltimore, probably do the same with Nestor," Aaron Boone said. "They'll probably go to the back end of the rotation coming out of the All Star break. So and we've tried to be a little strategic with how we've done that with off days here and there. Also being mindful of Nestor and Sevy, so it's certainly something we're paying attention to closely and we'll continue to do it that way."

Severino, who pitched just 27.2 innings over the previous three years because of injuries, will take the mound with 84 innings pitched. Nestor Cortes, who has never pitched more than 93 innings in a season in the big leagues, will have pitched 88.2 innings when he takes the mound on Thursday before his first trip to the All-Star Game.

"We don't have anything hard and fast to say he's gonna throw 150 and this guy's gonna throw 180," Boone said. "No, we're just mindful of that volume. And you know in the case of Nestor having not been there and Sevy not being there for a few years. W're just kind of being mindful of it. So there's a lot of ways we can measure where they're at and how they're doing and how they're feeling, including talking to them individually.

"And we'll continue to try and be as vigilant as we can in that regard."

Severino has shown very little fatigue. He's pitching to a 3.11 ERA this season, but a 1.50 over his last two starts, having allowed just two earned runs over his last 12 innings pitched.

Cortes has struggled over his last five starts. He's allowed 13 earned runs, including seven of the 13 homers he has given up, in those starts for a 4.81 ERA. He has a 2.74 ERA overall this season.

Another way the Yankees could limit their workload is by piggybacking a reliever off their starts. That would mean giving them a four- or five-inning limit in a start and then have a multi-inning reliever back them up. In fact, that is one of the options the Yankees have discussed in conjunction with the return of Domingo German.

Boone said they are "still deciding," on when the right-hander will come off the injured list, but a good bet would be Thursday so he is available in case they need to get Cortes out of his start early.

German began the season on the IL with right shoulder "impingement syndrome," but has been making minor-league rehab starts for almost a month. In four rehab starts, German has allowed one earned run over 14.1 innings pitched. He struck out 10.

YANKEES NOTES

Judge out of lineup as Boone tries to keep slugger off his feet

By Kristie Ackert
New York Daily News

NEW YORK — Aaron Judge was not in the lineup Tuesday night. He also missed the first game of the four in Boston. Aaron Boone is picking his spots to keep the slugger off his feet as the Yankees try to manage the lower body, calf muscle tightness that has bothered him the last week or so.

Even though Judge felt fine Tuesday, Boone wanted him off his feet.

"I would say kind of through it a little bit' too," Boone said of the tightness in the calves that had Judge sitting last weekend. "I just felt like we're gonna take advantage of this off day (on Monday) with the idea of playing five straight into the All Star Game, so just being cautious with it. It's striking that balance between obviously the urgency of the day and the long game here. Just trying to be smart with that."

Judge has a history of calf issues, which cost him a trip to the injured list in 2020. That, in part, was a reason the Yankees were hesitant to move him to center field before this season. Now, Judge has made more starts in center field (42) than he has made appearances in right field this season (37). Judge has made just 26 starts at right field.

The 30-year old has a history of injuries, but did not make a trip to the IL last season or so far this year. Part of that is because Boone monitors and manages his workload.

Judge has played in 83 games this season and is on a historic pace. He's slashing .283/.361/.610 with a .971 OPS. He leads the majors with 30 homers. And Boone reiterated this was planned.

"I just kind of had a conversation with him a little bit on the plane coming home and he wants to be in there, but then I think he understands it, too," Boone said.

Marinaccio bck on mound: Ron Marinaccio threw his first bullpen session since he went on the injured list with shoulder inflammation July 3. The right-hander threw 25 pitches, using all his pitches, and said it went well.

Marinaccio said he thinks the inflammation came when he got out of his normal delivery. He spent the last week working on mechanics as he played catch.

"We worked on the delivery and that will help it going forward," Marinaccio said. "The shoulder feels good."

Marinaccio could be ready to go coming out of the All-Star break, but Boone said they don't have the plan set for him yet.

You're an All-Star: Boone enjoyed telling his first-time All-Stars Jose Trevino, Nestor Cortes and Clay Holmes that they were going to Los Angeles for the Midsummer Classic. He's happy for all six Yankees that are going to be part of the festivities at Dodger Stadium and isn't worried about their usage.

"I want our guys in there. Help the American League win," Boone said.

RED SOX NOTES

DH Martinez added to AL All-Star roster

Boston Herald

J.D. Martinez is going to Los Angeles.

The Red Sox' designated hitter was originally left off the American League roster for the MLB All-Star Game that'll take place next week at Dodger Stadium, but after Astros' DH Yordan Alvarez pulled out due to a hand injury, Martinez was named as his replacement.

Martinez, who turns 35 in August, entered Tuesday with a .313 average, his highest since he hit .330 in 2018, while leading the league with 29 doubles. But he has just nine home runs, his lowest home run pace since he was still with the Astros in 2013.

After snapping a 22-game homerless drought on Sunday night, he said he's been frustrated with his power outage.

"At the beginning I didn't care, but then when you're about to get to the All-Star break, it's one of those things," he said. "I know what it is. It's not a lack of power or anything like that, because I'm still hitting the ball hard. I'm doing something in my swing that's causing me to not get the ball in the air as often as I'd like."

More lessons for Bello: The Red Sox are finally getting some starting pitching reinforcements this week, with Chris Sale starting Tuesday and Nathan Eovaldi expected back this weekend in New York. Monday night, as they started their sixth rookie in eight games, was a reminder of how much those returns are needed.

Brayan Bello is obviously a long way from a finished product, and there's a good chance he'll head back to Worcester soon to continue his development. But the rookie will certainly take several lessons from his first week in the majors. On Monday, one of them was that walks will come back to bite him.

Though he struggled early, Bello settled down and gave the Red Sox two important shutout innings before he departed. After having some trouble with his secondary pitches in his debut, Bello's changeup and slider looked more effective and his fastball had more life. He went four innings, and finished off his outing with a pretty double play by Trevor Story, who bare-handed a ball from Xander Bogaerts and turned for a perfect throw to first.

"He gave us 12 outs," Red Sox manager Alex Cora told reporters. "We needed him to do that and he did. Obviously there's a lot of growing, a lot of learning, and tonight was a great learning experience for him. But we're very pleased with the last two innings. He gave us a chance to win the game."

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the injured list with indefinite returns. Six of the last eight starts by Red Sox pitchers have been made by rookies.

If Sale can offer the Sox a glimpse of the vintage ace he once was, this team should be in business. But that might be a lot to ask given he's been a shell of himself over the last three years, battling shoulder issues, undergoing Tommy John surgery and most recently suffering a rib fracture.

It's been a tale of two careers for Sale thus far.

From the time he became a big league starter in 2012 through his last full season in 2018, he ranked third in ERA (2.91) behind only Clayton Kershaw (2.14) and Jacob deGrom (2.67).

He ranked second in strikeouts (1,678) behind only Max Scherzer (1,851).

And he was tied for third with 15 complete games.

But since the start of the 2019 season, when Dave Dombrowski signed Sale to a five-year, $145-million contract extension, Sale has been a non-factor.

He ranks 190th in innings pitched (190), 103rd in strikeouts (270), and 93rd in ERA (4.12) among those who have matched his innings in that span.

There's been a big emphasis on his velocity, which has seen drastic fluctuation from mid-summer in 2018, when he was averaging 97-98 mph on his fastball and looking like a Cy Young Award contender, to early 2019, when he averaged 89 mph on his fastball in his second start of the season.

He was averaging 94 mph in his rehab starts, though command was a bigger issue. Sale continues to say that velocity isn't too important with him, and he's proven that while being effective with less heat. His ability to throw his slider effectively and for strikes is what makes him one of the best pitchers on the planet.

But he's traditionally been a slow starter and a slow finisher, which makes his mid-summer return all the more interesting.

The 33-year-old historically has had his worst months in April (3.22 ERA), August (3.26) and September (3.77), while he usually does his best in May (2.69), June (2.56) and July (2.78).

Talking to reporters in Tampa on Monday, manager Alex Cora said that last year, Sale "wasn't even nearly where he's at arm-wise now. Now it's far from the surgery and he should be OK. I know he's excited and from my end, it makes sense that he's here because I still remember that first inning in the playoffs last year. He came down and I talked to him in that tunnel. He was beat. He was frustrated. For him to come here now and pitch here, obviously friends and family around, it should be good."

Sale hasn't won a postseason start since Game 1 of the 2018 A.L. Division Series against the Yankees. It's his only postseason win in seven starts.


Chris Sale pitches for the Portland Sea Dogs against the New Hampshire Fisher Cats during a June 30 game in Portland, Maine. **SHAWN PATRICK OUELLETTE/PORTLAND PRESS HERALD**

METS

Club should not overlook old friend Drury at trade deadline

By Matthew Roberson
New York Daily News

NEW YORK — The universal designated hitter, enjoying its first season in the National League, was meant to give each NL team one more potent bat in the lineup.

Major League Baseball finally decided to eliminate the farce of pitchers trying to hit, injecting more life into every batting order. At least, in theory.

The Mets have gotten a collective .217/.295/.332 slash line from their designated hitters this season. They've posted an 85 wRC+ and -0.6 Wins Above Replacement. While it's a much smaller sample size, last year Jacob deGrom had a 112 wRC+ and was worth 0.6 WAR just as a hitter.

With such a miserable sound coming from the DH's bats, the Mets could obviously look for someone else to man the position. Orioles' veteran Trey Mancini has hit at least 24 home runs in each of the last four seasons he's played and has a mutual option with the O's at the end of the year, something that is very rarely exercised. Mancini has been at the top of the speculation heap for the last few weeks, and Washington's Josh Bell will draw a fair share of attention too thanks to his .304 average and expiring contract.

But further down the list of impending free agents is Brandon Drury. Having the best year of his life during his eighth tour of the major leagues, Drury is sure to be coveted. His Cincinnati Reds have the second-worst run differential in the National League and can make a serious bid for the first overall pick in the draft if they offload correctly. Drury isn't just someone to flip for a player to be named later or a wagon full of cash, though

The career utilityman has taken over as the Reds' primary third baseman. He's mashing .277 with a .333 on-base percentage and slugging .540, placing him behind only Rafael Devers, Jose Ramirez and Austin Riley among MLB third basemen. While Drury doesn't walk — and never really has — the Mets' group of designated hitters are getting on base at a sub-.300 clip. Pretty much everyone who will be available on the trade market is an upgrade from that.

J.D. Davis has taken the lion's share of the Mets' at-bats at DH. Second on the team is Pete Alonso, who isn't part of the problem, but then you get into Dom Smith and Nick Plummer territory. At the very beginning of the season, which feels like eight lifetimes ago, it was Robinson Cano's name regularly written next to DH. As much as the Mets have tried, it just isn't working for Davis. He gets most of his looks when the opponent starts a left-handed pitcher. Davis is slashing .246/.338/.377 (.716 OPS) against those left-handed starters, who he's started 33 games against and made 133 plate appearances entering Tuesday.

Drury, meanwhile, is lighting them up like a Christmas tree. He's got a .308/.337/.670 (1.007) slash line against left-handed starting pitching. While it wasn't long ago that Drury was struggling to crack the starting lineup for the 2021 Mets, this year in Cincinnati has done something to awaken him. The ball can't stop finding his barrel, so much in fact that his barrel percentage has nearly doubled from last season to this one, and he now ranks in the 83rd percentile of the league in that category.

BASEBALL

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EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
New York	61	25	.709	—	—	5-5	L-2	34-9	27-16
Boston	47	40	.540	14 ½	+2	4-6	L-1	23-20	24-20
Tampa Bay	46	40	.535	15	+1 ½	6-4	W-1	26-17	20-23
Toronto	45	42	.517	16 ½	—	1-9	L-4	25-18	20-24
Baltimore	43	44	.494	18 ½	2	8-2	W-8	25-17	18-27
CENTRAL	**W**	**L**	**PCT**	**GB**	**WCGB**	**L10**	**STR**	**HOME**	**AWAY**
Minnesota	48	40	.545	—	—	5-5	W-1	25-18	23-22
Cleveland	43	42	.506	3 ½	1	4-6	W-2	22-17	21-25
Chicago	41	45	.477	6	3 ½	4-6	L-2	19-25	22-20
Detroit	36	51	.414	11 ½	9	6-4	L-4	23-24	13-27
Kansas City	34	52	.395	13	10 ½	6-4	W-3	18-26	16-26
WEST	**W**	**L**	**PCT**	**GB**	**WCGB**	**L10**	**STR**	**HOME**	**AWAY**
Houston	56	29	.659	—	—	8-2	W-1	27-12	29-17
Seattle	45	42	.517	12	—	9-1	W-8	24-20	21-22
Texas	40	44	.476	15 ½	3 ½	4-6	W-1	20-21	20-23
Los Angeles	38	49	.437	19	7	2-8	L-4	21-23	17-26
Oakland	29	59	.330	28 ½	16 ½	4-6	L-2	11-31	18-28

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
New York	54	33	.621	—	—	6-4	W-1	28-15	26-18
Atlanta	52	36	.591	2 ½	+5 ½	7-3	L-1	30-19	22-17
Philadelphia	46	41	.529	8	—	6-4	L-2	24-21	22-20
Miami	41	44	.482	12	4	6-4	L-1	20-18	21-26
Washington	30	58	.341	24 ½	16 ½	1-9	L-4	14-31	16-27
CENTRAL	**W**	**L**	**PCT**	**GB**	**WCGB**	**L10**	**STR**	**HOME**	**AWAY**
Milwaukee	48	39	.552	—	—	4-6	L-2	21-19	27-20
St. Louis	47	42	.528	2	—	4-6	W-2	26-18	21-24
Pittsburgh	37	50	.425	11	9	6-4	W-3	20-23	17-27
Chicago	34	52	.395	13 ½	11 ½	4-6	L-4	17-27	17-25
Cincinnati	32	54	.372	15 ½	13 ½	6-4	W-4	18-28	14-26
WEST	**W**	**L**	**PCT**	**GB**	**WCGB**	**L10**	**STR**	**HOME**	**AWAY**
Los Angeles	56	29	.659	—	—	9-1	W-7	30-13	26-16
San Diego	50	38	.568	7 ½	+3 ½	4-6	W-1	23-20	27-18
San Francisco	43	42	.506	13	2	3-7	L-1	21-21	22-21
Arizona	39	48	.448	18	7	4-6	W-1	22-26	17-22
Colorado	38	49	.437	19	8	5-5	L-1	23-22	15-27

BOX SCORES

GAME 1: CLEVELAND 4, CHI. WHITE SOX 1

White Sox	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Anderson ss	4	0	0	0	1	.312
Moncada 3b	4	0	0	0	2	.186
Vaughn dh	3	1	1	0	0	.291
Abreu 1b	3	0	1	0	0	.295
Jimenez lf	3	0	1	1	2	.224
Sheets rf	3	0	0	0	0	.234
Engel cf	3	0	0	0	0	.229
Harrison 2b	3	0	0	0	1	.231
McGuire c	3	0	0	0	1	.223
TOTALS	**29**	**1**	**3**	**1**	**7**	
Cleveland	**AB**	**R**	**H**	**BI**	**SO**	**AVG**
Kwan lf	4	1	2	0	0	.281
Rosario ss	4	1	2	2	1	.280
Ramirez 3b	3	0	1	2	0	.287
Reyes dh	4	0	1	0	1	.223
Gimenez 2b	3	0	1	0	0	.297
Jones rf	3	0	0	0	1	.438
Miller 1b	3	0	0	0	1	.244
Hedges c	3	1	1	0	0	.157
Straw cf	2	1	0	0	0	.210
TOTALS	**29**	**4**	**8**	**4**		
	4					

Chi. White Sox	**000**	**000**	**100**	**—**	**1**	**3**	**0**
Cleveland	**003**	**010**	**00x**	**—**	**4**	**8**	**1**

E: Miller (8).
LOB: Chicago 2, Cleveland 3.
2B: Rosario 2(14).
RBIs: Jimenez (13), Rosario 2(27), Ramirez 2(68).
SB: Gimenez (7).
Runners left in scoring position: Chicago 0; Cleveland 1(Reyes).
RISP: Chicago 1for 2; Cleveland 2for 4.
LI**DP:** Ramirez.
GIDP: Engel, Sheets, Gimenez.
DP: Chicago 2(Harrison, Abreu, Harrison; Abreu, Anderson, Abreu); Cleveland 2(Ramirez, Gimenez, Miller; Gimenez, Rosario, Miller).

WHITE SOX	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Martin, L, 1-3	6	8	4	4	2	3	4.67
Ruiz	1	0	0	0	0	0	3.67
Kelly	1	0	0	0	0	1	8.59
CLEVELAND	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Bieber, W, 4-5	9	3	1	1	0	7	3.24

Pitches-Strikes: Martin 94-67; Ruiz 11-7; Kelly 9-5; Bieber 95-72.
Ground Balls-Fly Balls: Martin 7-4; Ruiz 2-1; Kelly 2-0; Bieber 15-4.
Batters Faced: Martin 25; Ruiz 3; Kelly 3; Bieber 30.
IBB: off Martin (Ramirez).
HBP: Bieber (Vaughn).
Umpires: Home, Jansen Visconti; First, Dan Merzel; Second, Tripp Gibson; Third, Jim Reynolds.
Time: 2:09. **A:** 11,342(34,788).

LATE MONDAY: TAMPA BAY 10, BOSTON 5

Boston	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Duran cf	5	1	1	1	2	.277
Vazquez c	5	1	1	0	2	.290
Martinez dh	4	1	2	2	0	.313
Bogaerts ss	3	1	2	1	0	.315
Verdugo lf	4	0	2	1	0	.265
Story 2b	4	0	0	0	1	.222
Cordero 1b	4	0	0	0	4	.240
Refsnyder rf	3	1	1	0	0	.338
Dalbec 3b	3	0	0	0	1	.205
TOTALS	**35**	**5**	**9**	**5**	**10**	
Tampa Bay	**AB**	**R**	**H**	**BI**	**SO**	**AVG**
Diaz 3b	3	3	3	3	0	.307
Choi 1b	2	2	1	1	1	.283
a-Ramirez 1b	2	1	2	2	0	.330
Arozarena dh	4	0	1	0	1	.255
Aranda 2b	4	0	2	1	1	.500
Chang 2b	1	0	1	1	0	.167
Lowe rf	5	0	1	2	2	.187
Mejia c	4	0	2	0	0	.236
L.Raley lf	3	1	0	0	1	.083
Walls ss	3	2	0	0	0	.161
Phillips cf	4	1	1	0	1	.148
TOTALS	**35**	**10**	**14**	**10**	**7**	

Boston	**012**	**110**	**000**	**—**	**5**	**9**	**1**
Tampa Bay	**230**	**002**	**03x**	**—**	**10**	**14**	**0**

a-singled for Vazquez in the 6th.
E: Dalbec (4). **LOB:** Boston 6, Tampa Bay 7. **2B:** Bogaerts (22), Vazquez (18), Martinez 2(29), Diaz 2(18), Mejia (10). **RBIs:** Verdugo (47), Martinez 2(38), Duran (7), Bogaerts (36), Lowe 2(11), Diaz 3(23), Choi (39), Aranda (2), Ramirez 2(34), Chang (3). **SB:** Verdugo (1), Bogaerts (4), Duran (6). **CS:** Duran (1), Ramirez (4). **SF:** Diaz. **Runners left in scoring position:** Boston 4(Vazquez, Cordero 2, Story); Tampa Bay 3(Phillips, Lowe 2). **RISP:** Boston 4for 9; Tampa Bay 7for 14. **Runners moved up:** Dalbec. **GIDP:** Arozarena, Mejia. **DP:** Boston 2(Cordero, Bogaerts; Bogaerts, Story, Cordero).

BOSTON	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Bello	4	7	5	5	3	5	10.12
Davis	1	1	0	0	0	2	2.48
Diekman, L, 4-1	⅓	1	2	2	0	0	3.48
Valdez	2	4	3	0	0	0	4.70
TAMPA BAY	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Wisler	1	0	0	0	0	1	2.52
Fleming	3	6	4	4	2	3	6.84
Bard, W, 1-0	3	3	1	1	1	2	1.00
Poche, H, 10	1	0	0	0	0	1	1.95
Adam	1	0	0	0	0	3	1.27

HBP: Bello (Diaz), Diekman (Walls).
PB: Mejia (5).
Umpires: Home, Nate Tomlinson; First, Chris Conroy; Second, Ron Kulpa; Third, Carlos Torres.
Time: 3:31. **A:** 10,629(25,000).

LATE MONDAY: PITTSBURGH 5, MIAMI 1

Pittsburgh	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Newman ss	5	1	3	1	0	.288
Hayes 3b	5	1	1	0	1	.250
Chavis 1b	4	0	0	0	1	.237
Vogelbach dh	3	0	0	0	2	.238
Castillo rf	4	0	2	2	1	.204
Suwinski lf	1	0	0	0	0	.205
Gamel lf-rf	4	0	0	0	3	.247
VanMeter 2b	4	1	1	0	1	.197
Marisnick cf	3	2	2	2	1	.192
Delay c	4	0	2	0	0	.278
TOTALS	**37**	**5**	**11**	**5**	**10**	
Miami	**AB**	**R**	**H**	**BI**	**SO**	**AVG**
Wendle 2b-ss	4	0	2	0	0	.275
Cooper dh	4	1	1	0	0	.299
Aguilar 1b	2	0	0	0	1	.248
1-Hamilton pr	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Fortes c	0	0	0	0	0	.273
Garcia rf	4	0	1	1	2	.229
Sanchez cf	3	0	0	0	0	.207
Anderson 3b	4	0	0	0	3	.250
De La Cruz lf	4	0	1	0	1	.226
Rojas ss-1b	4	0	0	0	2	.247
Stallings c	2	0	0	0	0	.185
a-Berti ph-2b	0	0	0	0	0	.277
TOTALS	**31**	**1**	**5**	**1**	**9**	

Pittsburgh	**210**	**000**	**002**	**—**	**5**	**11**	**1**
Miami	**000**	**001**	**000**	**—**	**1**	**5**	**1**

a-walked for Stallings in the 8th.
1-ran for Aguilar in the 8th.
E: Delay (2), Aguilar (3).
LOB: Pittsburgh 9, Miami 7.
2B: Newman (5), Marisnick (3), Delay (3), VanMeter (3), Cooper (21).
HR: Marisnick (1), off Yacabonis.
RBIs: Castillo 2(25), Newman (10), Marisnick 2(3), Garcia (26).
SB: Hayes (10), Marisnick (2).
Runners left in scoring position: Pittsburgh 6(Chavis, Suwinski 2, Marisnick, Delay, Hayes); Miami 1(Garcia).
RISP: Pittsburgh 3for 16; Miami 1for 4. G
I**DP:** Vogelbach, Garcia. **DP:** Pittsburgh 1(Newman, VanMeter, Chavis); Miami 1(Aguilar, Rojas, Aguilar).

PITTSBURGH	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Keller, W, 3-6	7	5	1	1	0	5	4.88
De Jong, H, 2	⅔	0	0	0	1	0	2.20
De Los Sts, S, 3	1⅓	0	0	0	1	4	2.81
MIAMI	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Rogers, L, 4-8	5⅓	6	3	2	3	7	5.42
Pop	1⅔	1	0	0	0	1	2.25
Bleier	1	0	0	0	0	1	4.63
Yacabonis	1	4	2	2	1	1	6.75

Pitches-Strikes: Keller 95-61; De Jong 8-4; De Los Santos 26-17; Rogers 101-68; Pop 26-16; Bleier 6-6; Yacabonis 28-17.
Ground Balls-Fly Balls: Keller 10-5; De Jong 0-1; De Los Santos 0-0; Rogers 8-2;

LATE MONDAY: N.Y. METS 4, ATLANTA 1

NY Mets	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Nimmo cf	3	2	1	0	2	.269
Lindor ss	5	0	3	0	0	.245
Alonso 1b	5	1	1	2	2	.272
1-Inciarte pr-lf	0	0	0	0	0	.125
Canha lf	3	0	1	0	1	.273
Do.Smith 1b	0	0	0	0	0	.210
Escobar 3b	5	0	1	0	1	.216
Guillorme 2b	3	1	2	2	0	.309
Davis dh	4	0	0	0	1	.241
Jankowski rf	2	0	0	0	0	.200
Nido c	4	0	0	0	1	.210
TOTALS	**34**	**4**	**9**	**4**	**8**	
Atlanta	**AB**	**R**	**H**	**BI**	**SO**	**AVG**
Acuna Jr. rf	4	0	1	0	1	.274
Swanson ss	4	0	0	0	1	.299
Olson 1b	4	0	0	0	4	.251
Riley 3b	4	1	1	1	2	.282
Ozuna dh	4	0	1	0	2	.228
Rosario lf	3	0	0	0	1	.114
d'Arnaud c	3	0	0	0	2	.262
Harris II cf	3	0	0	0	0	.294
Cano 2b	3	0	2	0	0	.169
TOTALS	**32**	**1**	**5**	**1**	**13**	

N.Y. Mets	**002**	**000**	**011**	**—**	**4**	**9**	**0**
Atlanta	**000**	**000**	**100**	**—**	**1**	**5**	**0**

1-ran for Alonso in the 9th.
LOB: New York 10, Atlanta 4.
2B: Guillorme (8), Nimmo (16), Alonso (14), Ozuna (12), Acuna Jr. (10).
HR: Guillorme (2), off O'Day; Riley (24), off Scherzer. **RBIs:** Alonso 2 (72), Guillorme 2 (9), Riley (57).
Runners left in scoring position: New York 3(Nido, Davis, Alonso); Atlanta 3 (Rosario, Swanson 2). **RISP:** New York 2for 10; Atlanta 0for 2. **GIDP:** Davis, Alonso. **DP:** Atlanta 2(Riley, Cano, Swanson, Cano; Swanson, Cano, Olson).

NY METS	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Scherzer, W, 6-1	7	3	1	1	0	9	2.15
Ottavino, H, 12	1	2	0	0	0	1	2.67
Diaz, S, 19-22	1	0	0	0	0	3	1.73
ATLANTA	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Fried, L, 9-3	5	5	2	2	5	5	2.56
Lee	2	2	0	0	0	1	1.35
O'Day	1	1	1	1	0	0	4.15
Stephens	1	1	1	1	1	2	3.14

Pitches-Strikes: Scherzer 93-67; Ottavino 20-12; Díaz 11-10; Fried 99-55; Lee 24-18; O'Day 17-12; Stephens 25-17.
Batters Faced: Scherzer 24; Ottavino 5; Díaz 3; Fried 25; Lee 7; O'Day 4; Stephens 5,
HBP: Fried (Jankowski).
Umpires: Home, Chris Segal; First, Andy Fletcher; Second, Bill Welke; Third, Junior Valentine.
Time: 3:03. **A:** 42,925(41,084).

LATE MONDAY: CLEVELAND 8, CHI. WHITE SOX 4

White Sox	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Anderson ss	4	1	1	0	0	.317
Moncada 3b	4	1	1	3	1	.191
Robert cf	4	0	0	0	1	.283
Abreu 1b	4	1	2	0	1	.295
Sheets rf	4	0	0	0	1	.237
Jimenez dh	3	0	0	0	2	.218
Pollock lf	4	0	2	1	0	.247
Garcia 2b	3	1	2	0	0	.212
Zavala c	3	0	0	0	0	.323
TOTALS	**33**	**4**	**8**	**4**	**6**	
Cleveland	**AB**	**R**	**H**	**BI**	**SO**	**AVG**
Kwan lf	4	0	2	0	0	.278
Rosario ss	5	1	2	0	0	.278
Ramirez 3b	4	0	0	0	1	.287
Naylor 1b	4	1	1	0	1	.279
Reyes dh	4	2	3	1	1	.222
Gimenez 2b	2	2	0	0	1	.297
Jones rf	3	2	2	4	1	.538
a-Call ph-rf	1	0	0	0	0	.000
Maile c	3	0	0	0	1	.181
Straw cf	4	0	2	3	0	.211
TOTALS	**34**	**8**	**12**	**8**	**6**	

Chi. White Sox	**003**	**100**	**000**	**—**	**4**	**8**	**1**
Cleveland	**500**	**030**	**00x**	**—**	**8**	**12**	**0**

a-lined out for Jones in the 7th.
E: Garcia (6).
LOB: Chicago 3, Cleveland 7.
2B: Pollock (13), Jones (2).
HR: Moncada (4), off Quantrill.
RBIs: Moncada 3(21), Pollock (26), Reyes (26), Jones 4(8), Straw 3(13).
SB: Anderson (11), Reyes (1).
CS: Ramirez (4).
Runners left in scoring position: Chicago 1(Zavala); Cleveland 5 (Gimenez, Naylor, Rosario 3).
RISP: Chicago 3for 7; Cleveland 6for 12.
Runners moved up: Kwan.
GIDP: Anderson, Sheets, Rosario.
DP: Chicago 1(Garcia, Anderson, Abreu); Cleveland 2(Naylor, Ramirez, Naylor; Ramirez, Gimenez, Naylor).

WHITE SOX	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Lynn, L, 1-2	4	9	8	8	2	3	6.97
Foster	1	1	0	0	0	1	4.89
Kelly	1	1	0	0	0	2	9.22
Banks	2	1	0	0	0	0	3.19
CLEVELAND	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Quantrill, W, 5-5	6	8	4	4	1	3	3.99
Stephan, H, 4	2	0	0	0	0	2	3.00
Clase	1	0	0	0	0	1	1.49

Inherited runners-scored: Foster 1-1, Stephan 2-0. **HBP:** Lynn 2(Kwan,G-imenez), Banks (Ramirez).
Umpires: Home, Dan Merzel; First, Edwin Moscoso; Second, Jansen Visconti; Third, Jim Reynolds.
Time: 2:51. **A:** 13,655(34,788).

LATE MONDAY/GAME 2: KANSAS CITY 7, DETROIT 3

Detroit	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Grossman lf	5	1	3	0	1	.210
Baez ss	5	1	1	1	0	.211
Cabrera dh	4	0	1	1	1	.290
Haase c	3	0	2	0	1	.243
Schoop 2b	4	0	1	0	0	.213
W.Castro cf	4	1	2	0	0	.260
Torkelson 1b	4	0	0	0	0	.192
Candelario 3b	4	0	1	1	2	.191
Reyes rf	4	0	0	0	1	.295
TOTALS	**37**	**3**	**11**	**3**	**6**	
Kansas City	**AB**	**R**	**H**	**BI**	**SO**	**AVG**
Melendez c	3	2	1	1	0	.217
Witt Jr. ss	5	1	4	3	0	.252
Pasquantino dh	3	0	2	0	1	.213
Dozier 1b	5	0	0	0	1	.261
O'Hearn rf	4	0	1	2	2	.182
Olivares lf	3	0	1	0	0	.308
Benintendi lf	0	0	0	0	0	.313
Isbel cf	4	0	0	0	1	.203
Rivera 3b	3	2	1	0	0	.235
Lopez 2b	3	2	2	0	0	.237
TOTALS	**33**	**7**	**12**	**6**	**5**	

Detroit	**100**	**110**	**000**	**—**	**3**	**11**	**0**
Kansas City	**131**	**000**	**02x**	**—**	**7**	**12**	**1**

E: Rivera (4).
LOB: Detroit 8, Kansas City 9.
2B: Baez (15), W.Castro (10), Cabrera (8), Witt Jr. (18), Rivera (6).
RBIs: Baez (34), Candelario (23), Cabrera (32), Witt Jr. 3(45), O'Hearn 2 (9), Melendez (25). **SB:** Witt Jr. (16).
SF: Melendez. **S:** Lopez.
Runners left in scoring position: Detroit 4(Cabrera, Schoop 2, Candelario); Kansas City 6(Isbel 4, Dozier 2).
RISP: Detroit 2for 13; Kansas City 5for 14. **Runners moved up:** Cabrera, Torkelson 2, Melendez. LI**DP:** Reyes.
GIDP: Schoop, Dozier. **DP:** Detroit 1 (Schoop, Baez, Torkelson); Kansas City 2(Dozier; Witt Jr., Lopez, Dozier).

DETROIT	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Faedo, L, 1-5	1⅔	4	4	4	4	2	5.53
Alexander	3⅓	5	1	1	0	0	4.30
Foley	1	1	0	0	0	0	3.48
Jimenez	1	0	0	0	0	2	2.97
Lange	1	2	2	2	1	1	2.38
KANSAS CITY	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Lynch	4	6	3	2	1	3	4.92
Cuas	1	2	0	0	0	0	2.65
Zerpa, W, 1-0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0.00
Coleman, H, 6	1	2	0	0	0	1	3.22
Barlow	1	0	0	0	0	2	2.21

Inherited runners-scored: Alexander 3-2, Cuas 1-1. **WP:** Faedo, Lange, Zerpa.
Umpires: Home, Phil Cuzzi; First, Mark Ripperger; Second, Shane Livensparger; Third, Adam Beck.
Time: 3:00. **A:** 16,202(37,903).

AMERICAN LEAGUE LEADERS

BATTING AVG.	G	AB	R	H	AVG
Arraez Min	78	287	50	100	.348
Devers Bos	80	324	59	106	.327
Bogaerts Bos	83	308	51	97	.315
J.Martinez Bos	76	300	50	94	.313
Benintendi KC	85	313	35	98	.313
Kirk Tor	77	243	40	75	.309
Y.Diaz TB	78	264	39	81	.307
Alvarez Hou	75	268	57	82	.306
France Sea	74	291	32	89	.306
Gimenez Cle	74	239	30	71	.297

Home Runs: Judge, New York, 30; Alvarez, Houston, 26; Trout, Los Angeles, 24; Buxton, Minnesota, 23; Stanton, New York, 22; Rizzo, New York, 22; Seager, Texas, 20; Ohtani, Los Angeles, 19; Devers, Boston, 19; Guerrero Jr., Toronto, 19.
Runs Batted In: J.Ramirez, Cleveland, 66; Judge, New York, 65; Alvarez, Houston, 60; Tucker, Houston, 59; Story, Boston, 58; Stanton, New York, 56; Rizzo, New York, 54; Ohtani, Los Angeles, 54; Guerrero Jr., Toronto, 54.
Pitching: Verlander, Houston, 11-3; Gilbert, Seattle, 10-3; Taillon, New York, 9-2; McClanahan, Tampa Bay, 9-3; Manoah, Toronto, 9-4.
through Monday

LATE MONDAY: ST. LOUIS 6, PHILADELPHIA 1

Philadelphia	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Schwarber lf	4	0	0	0	2	.219
Hoskins 1b	4	1	2	1	0	.255
Castellanos rf	4	0	1	0	2	.251
Hall dh	4	0	1	0	1	.283
Realmuto c	4	0	2	0	1	.240
Gregorius ss	3	0	0	0	0	.241
Bohm 3b	1	0	1	0	0	.273
Munoz 3b	2	0	0	0	0	.242
Stott 2b	3	0	0	0	1	.177
Vierling cf	3	0	1	0	0	.241
TOTALS	**32**	**1**	**8**	**1**	**7**	
St. Louis	**AB**	**R**	**H**	**BI**	**SO**	**AVG**
Edman ss	4	0	0	0	0	.254
Yepez rf	3	0	0	0	1	.255
Nootbaar rf	1	1	1	1	0	.173
Goldschmidt 1b	4	0	1	0	3	.335
Gorman 2b	4	0	0	0	2	.242
Carlson cf	4	1	3	0	0	.260
Pujols dh	4	1	1	0	1	.216
Dickerson lf	3	2	2	3	1	.196
Sosa 3b	3	1	1	1	1	.183
Knizner c	3	0	1	1	0	.181
TOTALS	**33**	**6**	**9**	**6**	**9**	

Philadelphia	**100**	**000**	**000**	**—**	**1**	**8**	**0**
St. Louis	**000**	**030**	**21x**	**—**	**6**	**9**	**0**

LOB: Philadelphia 4, St. Louis 3.
2B: Sosa (3), Pujols (6).
HR: Hoskins (18), off Mikolas; Dickerson (3), off Nola; Nootbaar (3), off Kelly.
RBIs: Hoskins (43), Dickerson 3(14), Sosa (6), Knizner (13), Nootbaar (10).
Runners left in scoring position: Philadelphia 1(Realmuto); St. Louis 0.
RISP: Philadelphia 0for 1; St. Louis 4 for 4.
Runners moved up: Pujols.
GIDP: Castellanos, Schwarber.
DP: St. Louis 2(Edman, Gorman, Goldschmidt; Sosa, Edman, Goldschmidt).

PHILADELPHIA	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Nola, L, 5-7	7	7	5	5	0	7	3.35
Kelly	1	2	1	1	0	2	3.00
ST. LOUIS	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Mikolas, W, 6-7	7⅓	6	1	1	0	5	2.62
Cabrera	1	0	0	0	0	1	2.16
Fernandez	⅔	2	0	0	0	1	0.00

Pitches-Strikes: Nola 98-75; Kelly 19-12; Mikolas 99-62; Cabrera 22-18; Fernández 13-8.
Ground Balls-Fly Balls: Nola 11-5; Kelly 0-1; Mikolas 9-6; Cabrera 1-1; Fernández 2-0.
Batters Faced: Nola 28; Kelly 5; Mikolas 25; Cabrera 3; Fernández 4.
Umpires: Home, Jeremy Riggs; First, Will Little; Second, Todd Tichenor; Third, John Bacon.
Time: 2:41. **A:** 34,399(45,494).

LATE MONDAY: SAN DIEGO 6, COLORADO 5

San Diego	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Crnwrth 2b-1b	4	2	3	1	1	.241
Machado 3b	5	1	2	1	1	.310
Mazara rf	5	0	2	0	1	.309
Voit dh	4	0	0	1	2	.224
Hosmer 1b	3	0	0	0	0	.273
Kim ss	0	0	0	0	0	.235
Alfaro c	4	1	1	0	0	.263
Grisham cf	2	1	0	0	1	.190
Abrams ss-2b	4	1	2	3	0	.234
Azocar lf	4	0	0

SPORTS



UConn women's basketball 2023 commit Kamorea "KK" Arnold, left, impressed throughout Nike Nationals in Chicago. **LILA BROMBERG/HARTFORD COURANT**

Arnold

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tournament. She was tough and tenacious on defense, able to throw off opposing players without fouling. On offense, she showed off her speed with a quick burst and dribbling and footwork to match. She has a knack of driving through multiple defenders to get to the basket, often able to draw a foul in the process.

The passing ability of Arnold stood out as well. As soon as she realized a shot wasn't there she made the smart pass. She played with maturity and showed off a high basketball IQ and awareness of the game around her, repeatedly making difficult kickout passes while driving toward the basket, either midstride or on a quick jump stop.

"Definitely just my teammates trusting in me, you know, getting them the ball right away," Arnold said of her passing vision on the floor. "And then just that point guard instinct to know if they're open to pass the ball. And then just repetition every year, you know where to pass it and where they are and tell them directly."

Those point guard instincts were heavily influenced by former UConn star Moriah Jefferson, one of many Huskies Arnold looked up to growing up. The walls of Arnold's childhood bedroom were covered in UConn Huskies stickers and posters as well as Fatheads of Jefferson and other players.

"She's a small guard like me when I was younger," Arnold said. So I was like, 'If she can do it, then I can do it.' "

Arnold dreamed of playing for coach Geno Auriemma at UConn, which she'd repeatedly tell her family. They'd reply that Auriemma might not still be there by the time she was in college but she insisted it would happen.

Kim remembers hearing her daughter scream in excitement when she got the official offer from UConn on a phone call during the 2021 AAU season.

"She was like, 'I told you my dream was gonna come true,' " Kim said. "And sure enough, it's true. So it's awesome."

Arnold declared that she was going to UConn as soon as she got the offer, but her parents wanted her to make sure she visited the other top schools on her list before making a final decision. When they visited Storrs in November it felt like home. She verbally committed that same month.

Arnold has been in touch with many of her future teammates, including Paige Bueckers, Azzi Fudd and Nika Mühl. She sent a congratulatory text to fellow 2023 commit Qadence Samuels when she made her announcement last month and the pair have gotten to see each other on the AAU trail this summer.

Now, as she wraps up the AAU season and prepares for her final year of high school at Germantown, Wisconsin, High, and her freshman year at UConn beyond that, Arnold is focused on continuing to develop her game.

"The work doesn't stop from here," Arnold said. "So I just keep working hard, keep trying to get to that next level and keep expanding my game."

Crawford

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round. With Angels superstar Shohei Ohtani showing that a player can do both at the major-league level and generate enormous excitement while doing so, Crawford, 21, has drawn a lot of interest, even during his rehab work at UConn.

He recently met with MLB representatives at the combine in June.

"I don't know why anyone would pass on him, even if they're picking first overall," Penders said. "He's just different from anyone else in the draft. He has the highest upside and if you meet him there is no downside. I'm looking forward to seeing him continue to flourish as a person and a player. He'll always hold a special place in my heart and the program."

Crawford made a lot of friends on the Cape and with USA Baseball, including Drew Gilbert, a Tennessee outfielder also expected to go in the first round. They worked out together on the Tennessee campus last week.

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CELTICS

Brogdon, Gallinari willing to sacrifice to help team succeed

Associated Press

BOSTON — Malcolm Brogdon and Danilo Gallinari both grew up surrounded by Boston Celtics fandom.

As a kid in Italy, Gallinari was an admirer of Larry Bird. And when was drafted by the New York Knicks in 2008, he remembers being given a disc containing the Hall of Famer's highlights by then-general manager Donnie Walsh.

He watched it daily, trying to pick up any element he could from Bird's game.

"Of course, Larry Bird is a legend, so it's not easy to do the stuff that he was doing," Gallinari said Tuesday. "But I would look at those tapes every day."

Brogdon, too, remembers being inundated with tales of the green and white by his late grandfather, a diehard devotee of Bill Russell and Red Auerbach.

Now years later, and after multiple stops around the league, Gallinari and Brogdon — Boston's top two offseason additions — are being called upon to help this latest incarnation of the Celtics return to the championship status that eluded them this past season with their loss in the Finals to Golden State.

"When the Celtics came on the table it was almost like a no-brainer," Gallinari said. "You look around and see what's going on — the banners, the history and everything that the Celtics are about — it was an easy choice."

The veterans also know what it's like to be close to reaching the NBA's championship summit.

Brogdon was drafted by Milwaukee and spent his first three years there before being traded two years ahead of the Bucks ultimately winning the title in 2021.

Gallinari bounced around on five different teams before helping Atlanta make a surprise Eastern Conference finals run in 2021 before falling to Milwaukee.

Those outcomes were a reminder to both of just how precious seizing the moment is in the NBA. They don't want to see that happen to this Celtics core they are joining.

Brogdon, who was traded from Indiana hours after the start of free agency, called the move "perfect timing."

"For me, I'm in my prime. I'm 29 years old," he said. "I experienced winning at a high level in Milwaukee my first three years. I went to Indiana, had a solid season and then sort of two rough seasons. So this is everything I've wanted, to be able to get back to this level. To be able to compete with guys that want to win a championship and guys that want to sacrifice to win."

That includes Brogdon himself, who led Indiana in scoring last season with 19.1 points, along with 5.1 rebounds and 5.9 assists. He said he is more than willing to accept an understudy role to Celtics starting point guard Marcus Smart.

As good as Smart — the reigning Defensive Player of Year — was this season, it was clear at times during Boston's postseason run that it was missing a traditional playmaking point guard.

It was one of the things Celtics president of basketball operations Brad Stevens pinpointed as being a target during free agency. That and finding help for a bench that was missing consistent scoring without disrupting its core of Jayson Tatum, Jaylen Brown and Smart.

The Celtics had to give up reserve center Daniel Theis in the trade for Brogdon and Stevens said they may look to add another big to replace him, though it's not a necessity with the 6-10 Gallinari and 6-5 Brogdon able to play multiple positions.

NBA

LeBron critical on show of US efforts to bring Griner home

Associated Press

LeBron James is publicly criticizing the United States' handling of WNBA All-Star Brittney Griner's case in a trailer for an upcoming episode of his television show: "The Shop: Uninterrupted."

Griner is on trial in Russia for drug possession. She pleaded guilty last week and will appear again in court on Thursday.

"Now, how can she feel like America has her back?" James said in the trailer. "I would be feeling like, 'Do I even wanna go back to America?' "

It's unclear when the show was filmed, although in the trailer it is mentioned that Griner had been in Russia for more than 110 days, which would have been nearly five weeks ago as she was detained on Feb. 17.

During the weeks since day 110, in addition to the trial beginning and the guilty plea, Griner's wife Cherelle has had a phone conversation with President Joe Biden. Biden also received a letter from Brittney Griner on July 4 and sent a letter back to her which she was given in court last week.

There is also no mention of other detained Americans in the trailer.

Klutch Sports Group, the agency that represents James, did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

Washington hasn't disclosed its strategy in the case and the U.S. may have little leverage with Moscow because of strong animosity over its actions in Ukraine. The State Department's designation of Griner being wrongfully detained moves her case under the supervision of its special presidential envoy for hostage affairs, effectively the government's chief hostage negotiator.

U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken has said Washington will continue to work for the release of Griner, as well as other Americans held by Moscow, including former Marine Paul Whelan.

"We will not relent until Brittney, Paul Whelan, and all other wrongfully detained Americans are reunited with their loved ones," he tweeted last week,

National Security Adviser Jake Sullivan said Monday that former New Mexico Gov. Bill Richardson had been in contact with the National Security Council, but wouldn't comment on "his travel or what he intends to do" amid reports that Richardson plans to travel to Russia and work on Griner's release.

James' show will air on Friday.

GOLF BRITISH OPEN

Debate rages whether a win at St. Andrews completes career

Associated Press

ST. ANDREWS, Scotland — Jack Nicklaus has mentioned the importance of winning the British Open at St. Andrews in various ways over the years, and his inspiration was Bobby Jones.

Jones won the claret jug at St. Andrews in 1927, and he won the British Amateur on the Old Course in 1930 when he won the "impregnable quadrilateral" — the four majors of the time, the U.S. Open, British Open, U.S. Amateur and British Amateur.

"If you're going to be a player people will remember, you have to win the Open at St. Andrews," Nicklaus said. He is just as fond as quoting Jones: "No golfer's career is complete until he's won at St. Andrews."

The only Open champions at St. Andrews this year are Tiger Woods, Zach Johnson, Louis Oosthuizen and John Daly.

Good luck to the other 152 players in the field, right?

"I don't know if a golfer's career isn't complete if you don't," Rory McIlroy said. "But I think it's the holy grail of our sport. So not a lot of people are going to get that opportunity to achieve that, but that's what winning an Open at St Andrews is. It's one of the highest achievements that you can have in golf."

Woods is playing the Open at St. Andrews for the sixth time. Mark Calcavecchia, who won the Open at Royal Troon, is playing it for seventh time.

Considering the Open usually goes to St. Andrews every five years, that would give a player no more than about five chances at the Old Course during his peak years.

"I've heard multiple champions say it," Jon Rahm said. "I think it was Jack and Tiger both accomplished it. 'You can't really call yourself a great player unless you win The Open at St Andrews,' which is a very selective group to say. I think it's a bit of an exaggeration, but I do know what they mean.

"And it can almost put your career to another level just because how great of a venue this one is."

Open

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part of it that's the struggle. But he seemed to be moving well."

The conditions have been so dry that Woods says the fairways are running faster than the greens. The wind was at its worst on Tuesday, maybe the strongest it will be all week, and the air can be heavier than it seems.

"So trying to get my mind right for that," Woods said. "I've been trying to do that, but the only way you can truly do it actually is to get out here and experience it."

This week is all about the experience, and no one does history quite like the R&A with a "150" logo imprinted everywhere, even on the blue seats in the grandstands.

Still, it's the Old Course that is the star no matter what edition of The Open it might be.

"This is unlike any other tournament really, The Open at St Andrews," Jordan Spieth said. "It certainly hasn't disappointed being on the grounds this week. The course is incredibly firm. The greens are flawless, and the setting as you come in — these closing holes — is even more grand than it was seven years ago.

"If you're not getting amped up to play in this Open, I'm not sure this is the right sport for you."

Spieth had as much attention on him as anyone the last time at St. Andrews in 2015 when he arrived having won the Masters and U.S. Open — only Arnold Palmer, Jack Nicklaus and Woods had ever done that — and had won the John Deere Classic the week before.

He missed the playoff, won by Zach Johnson, by one shot.

McIlroy wasn't even around in 2015. He was the defending champion who decided to play soccer during his break before the Open, injured his knee and had to sit out. McIlroy now has gone eight years since last winning a major, and he is taking a measured approach.

His game is in good shape, having won the Canadian Open last month. He also joins Will Zalatoris as the only players to have finished in the top 10 at every major this year. And this is the last one.

McIlroy's lone appearance at St. Andrews for the Open was in 2010. He missed a 3-foot birdie putt on the 17th hole, birdied the last and tied the major championship record of 63 at the time. And then the wind arrived the following day and he shot 80.

"My confidence in my game is as high as it's been in quite a while," McIlroy said. "I can't go in here thinking that this might be my time. I just have to go out and play a really good tournament. I've got to string four good rounds together, and hopefully at the end of the week, that's good enough to win."

SCOREBOARD

SOCCER

MLS

EASTERN	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
N.Y. Red Bulls	9	5	6	33	30	21
Philadelphia	8	2	9	33	29	13
New York City FC	9	4	5	32	37	21
CF Montréal	9	8	2	29	33	35
Orlando City	8	7	4	28	24	28
Charlotte FC	8	10	2	26	23	24
Cincinnati	7	7	5	26	30	33
Columbus	6	5	7	25	23	20
New England	6	6	7	25	31	32
Inter Miami CF	6	8	4	22	18	27
Atlanta	5	8	5	20	26	29
Toronto FC	5	10	4	19	26	36
D.C. United	5	10	2	17	23	37
Chicago	4	10	5	17	18	27
WESTERN	**W**	**L**	**T**	**PT**	**GF**	**GA**
Los Angeles FC	12	4	3	39	38	21
Austin FC	11	4	4	37	38	22
Real Salt Lake	8	5	6	30	24	24
FC Dallas	7	5	7	28	30	23
LA Galaxy	8	7	3	27	26	22
Minnesota United	8	8	3	27	26	24
Nashville	7	6	6	27	25	25
Seattle	8	8	2	26	26	22
Portland	6	6	8	26	32	29
Vancouver	7	9	3	24	20	31
Houston	6	9	4	22	24	25
Colorado	5	8	5	20	21	26
Sporting KC	5	11	4	19	18	34
San Jose	4	7	7	19	29	37

Three points for win, one point for tie.

TUESDAY'S RESULT
Houston at Austin FC, late

WEDNESDAY'S MATCHES
Real Salt Lake at Atlanta, 7:30p.m.
Toronto FC at Chicago, 8p.m.
Vancouver at Cincinnati, 8p.m.
Columbus at D.C. United, 8p.m.
Philadelphia at Miami, 8p.m.
Sporting KC at Minnesota, 8p.m.
Seattle at Nashville, 8:30p.m.
Orlando City at Colorado, 9p.m.
New York City FC at FC Dallas, 9p.m.
San Jose at LA Galaxy, 10p.m.

SATURDAY'S MATCHES
Toronto FC at CF Montréal, 7:30p.m.
New England at Philadelphia, 7:30p.m.
Seattle at Chicago, 8p.m.
Charlotte FC at Miami, 8p.m.
D.C. United at Minnesota, 8p.m.
LA Galaxy at Colorado, 9p.m.
Austin FC at FC Dallas, 9p.m.

SUNDAY'S MATCHES
Orlando City at Atlanta, 3p.m.
N.Y. City FC at N.Y. Red Bulls, 5p.m.
Cincinnati at Columbus, 7:30p.m.
Los Angeles FC at Nashville, 8:30p.m.
Sporting KC at Real Salt Lake, 9:30p.m.
Houston at San Jose, 9:30p.m.
Vancouver at Portland, 10:30p.m.

NWSL

CLUB	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
San Diego FC	6	3	3	21	19	11
Chicago	5	1	5	20	19	12
Portland	4	1	6	18	24	10
OL Reign	4	2	5	17	11	8
Angel City FC	5	4	2	17	10	11
Houston	4	4	3	15	16	13
Kansas City	4	4	3	15	11	14
Gotham FC	4	5	0	12	7	13
Orlando	3	5	3	12	12	26
Louisville	2	5	4	10	13	18
Washington	1	5	6	9	11	15
North Carolina	2	5	2	8	14	16

Three points for win, one point for tie.

FRIDAY'S MATCHES
Angel City FC at North Carolina, 7:30 p.m.
Louisville at San Diego Wave FC, 10p.m.

SATURDAY'S MATCHES
Chicago at Houston, 8:30p.m.
Gotham FC at Portland, 10:30p.m.

SUNDAY'S MATCHES
Orlando at Washington, 5p.m.
OL Reign at Kansas City, 7p.m.

U.S. WOMEN'S SCHEDULE (9-0-1)

s-Feb. 17: U.S. 0, Czech Republic 0
s-Feb. 20: U.S. 5, New Zealand 0
s-Feb. 23: U.S. 5, Iclenad 0
April 9: U.S. 9, Uzbekistan 1
April 12: U.S. 9, Uzbekistan 0
June 25: U.S. 3, Colombia 0
June 28: U.S. 2, Colombia 0
v-July 4: U.S. 3, Haiti 0
v-July 7: U.S. 5 Jamaica 0
v-July 11: U.S. 1, Mexico 0
v-Thursday: vs. Costa Rica, 7 p.m.
s-Shebelieves Cup
v-CONCACAF W Championship

CYCLING

109TH TOUR DE FRANCE

Tuesday's 10th Stage, a 148.1-km (92-mile) Morzine Les Portes Du Soleil—Megeve

STAGE 10 RESULTS*-time behind leader*

1. Magnus Cort Nielsen, Denmark	3:18:50
2. Nick Schultz, Australia	same
3. Louis Leon Sanchez, Spain	:07*
4. Matteo Jorgenson, U.S.	:08*
5. Dylan van Baarle, Netherlands	:10*
6. Georg Zimmerman, Germany	:15*
7. Benjamin Thomas, France	:18*
8. Andreas Leknessund, Norway	:20*
9. Fred Wright, Great Britain	:22*
10. Lennard Kamna, Germany	:22*
Also	
11. Quinn Simmons, U.S.,	1:00*
31. Neilson Powless, U.S.	8:54*
37. Sepp Kuss, U.S.	8:54*
44. Brandon McNulty, U.S.	9:05*
49. Joe Dombrowski, U.S.	9:22*

OVERALL STANDINGS

1. Tadej Pogacar, Slovenia	37:11:28
2. Lennard Kamna, Germany	:11*
3. Jonas Vingegaard, Denmark	:39*
4. Geraint Thomas, Great Britain	1:17*
5. Adam Yates, Great Britain	1:25*
6. David Gaudu, France	1:38*
7. Romain Bardet, France	1:39*
8. Thomas Pidcock, Great Britain	1:46*
9. Enric Mas, Spain	1:50*
10. Louis Leon Sanchez, Spain	1:50*
Also	
11. Neilson Powless, U.S.	1:55*
21. Brandon McNulty, U.S.	7:36*
27. Sepp Kuss, U.S.	13:50*
31. Matteo Jorgenson, U.S.	19:22*
68. Joe Dombrowski, U.S.	49:00*
97. Quinn Simmons, U.S.	1:04:50*

YOUNG RIDERS STANDINGS

1. Tadej Pogacar, Slovenia	37:11:28
2. Thomas Pidcock, Great Britain	1:46*
3. Brandon McNulty, U.S.	7:36*
4. Matteo Jorgenson, U.S.	19:22*
5. Andreas Leknessund, Norway	21:29*
6. Kevin Geniets, Luxembourg	34:14*
7. Georg Zimmerman, Germany	34:35*
8. Fred Wright, Great Britain	44:28*
9. Michael Storer, Australia	49:01*
10. Matis Louvel, France	54:58*
Also	
14. Quinn Simmons, U.S.	1:04:50*

MOUNTAIN STANDINGS

	PTS
1. Simmon Geschke, Germany	19
2. Bob Jungels, Luxembourg	18
3. Thibaut Pinot, France	14
4. Magnus Cort Nielsen, Denmark	11
5. Tadej Pogacar, Slovenia	10
6. Pierre Latour, France	8
7. Jonas Vingegaard, Denmark	8
8. Carlos Verona, Spain	7
9. Lennard Kamna, Germany	6
10. Primoz Roglic, Slovenia	6

UPCOMING STAGES

Wednesday, Stage 11: Ablertville—Col Du Granon Serre Chevalier, mountain, 151.7 (94)
Thursday, Stage 12: Braincon—Alpe d'Huez, mountain, 165.1 (102)
Friday, Stage 13: Le Bourg D'Oisans—Saint-Etienne, flat, 192.6 (119)
Saturday, Stage 14: Saint-Etienne—Mende, hilly, 192.5 (119)
Sunday, Stage 15: Rodez—Carcassonne, flat, 202.5 (125)
Monday: rest day.
July 19 — Stage 16: Carcassonne—Foix, hilly, 178.5 (110)
July 20 — Stage 17: Saint Gaudens—Peyragudes, mountain, 129.7 (80)
July 21 — Stage 18: Lourdes—Hautacam, mountain, 143.2 (89)
July 22 — Stage 19: Castelnau—Magnoac-Cahors, flat 188.3 (117)
July 23 — Stage 20: La Capelle—Marival-Rocamadour, individual time-trial, 40.7 (25)
July 24 — Stage 21: Paris La Defense Arena—Paris Champs-Elysees, flat, 115.6 (71)

WNBA

EAST	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	16	6	.727	—
Connecticut	14	8	.636	2
Washington	14	10	.583	3
Atlanta	10	12	.455	6
New York	9	14	.391	7 ½
Indiana	5	19	.208	12
WEST	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Las Vegas	16	7	.696	—
Seattle	16	8	.667	½
Los Angeles	10	12	.455	5 ½
Dallas	10	13	.435	6
Phoenix	10	14	.417	6 ½
Minnesota	8	15	.348	8

TUESDAY'S RESULTS
Seattle 83, Dallas 74
Las Vegas 107, New York 101
Atlanta at Chicago, late
Phoenix at Minnesota, late
Washington at Los Angeles, late

WEDNESDAY'S GAME
Connecticut at Indiana, 12p.m.

THURSDAY'S GAMES
Las Vegas at New York, 11a.m.
Dallas at Minnesota, 8p.m.
Washington at Phoenix, 10p.m.
Chicago at Los Angeles, 10:30p.m.

FRIDAY'S GAMES
Minnesota at Indiana, 7p.m.
Connecticut at Atlanta, 7:30p.m.

SEASON FAST BREAK POINTS

TEAM	GP	OFF TO	FBP
Las Vegas	22	13.4	12.7
Dallas	23	14.2	11.9
Seattle	24	18.0	11.8
Connecticut	22	18.4	11.7
Chicago	22	14.7	11.2
Atlanta	22	16.1	10.1
Los Angeles	22	17.4	9.9
Indiana	24	14.8	9.5
Phoenix	24	16.9	9.5
Minnesota	23	14.2	8.7
New York	22	12.9	7.2
Washington	24	16.0	6.3

PLAYER	TM	GP	FBPS
Kahleah Copper	Chi	17	3.7
Arike Ogunbowale	Dal	23	3.7
Allisha Gray	Dal	20	3.3
Jackie Young	LVA	20	3.3
Kelsey Plum	LVA	22	3.2
Skylar Diggins-Smith	Phx	22	3.0
Diamond DeShields	Phx	23	2.9
Breanna Stewart	Sea	22	2.9
Dearica Hamby	LVA	22	2.8
Jewell Loyd	Sea	24	2.
Marina Mabrey	Dal	21	2.6

through All-Star break

NBA SUMMER LEAGUE

NBA 2K23 SUMMER LEAGUE

Thomas & Mack, Cox Pavilion, Las Vegas
Monday, July 11
New Orleans 101, Atlanta 73
Houston 97, San Antonio 84
Boston 111, Milwaukee 109
Oklahoma City 84, Orlando 81
Utah 83, Dallas 82
Portland 88, New York 77

Tuesday's results
Chicago 93, Toronto 83
Memphis 120, Brooklyn 84
Atlanta 95, Miami 88
Boston vs. Golden State, late
Detroit vs. Indiana, late
Phoenix vs. Dallas, late
L.A. Lakers vs. L.A. Clippers, late

Wednesday's games
Minnesota vs. Milwaukee, 4p.m.
Cleveland vs. Charlotte, 5p.m.
Washington vs. New Orleans, 6p.m.
Toronto vs. Utah, 7p.m.
Sacramento vs. Oklahoma City, 8p.m.
Miami vs. Philadelphia, 9p.m.
Denver vs. L.A. Clippers, 10p.m.

Thursday's games
Memphis vs. Boston, 3:30p.m.
Atlanta vs. San Antonio, 4p.m.
Cleveland vs. Detroit, 5:30p.m.
Chicago vs. Charlotte, 6p.m.
New York vs. Orlando, 7:30p.m.
Dallas vs. Milwaukee, 8p.m.
Portland vs. Houston, 9:30p.m.
Brooklyn vs. Minnesota, 10p.m.

Friday's games
L.A. Clippers vs. Utah, 5p.m.
Philadelphia vs. Denver, 6p.m.
Oklahoma City vs. Golden State, 7p.m.
Sacramento vs. Phoenix, 8p.m.
Indiana vs. Washington, 9p.m.
Miami vs. Toronto, 10p.m.
L.A. Lakers vs. New Orleans, 11p.m.

TENNIS

ATP HALL OF FAME OPEN

At International Tennis Hall of Fame, Newport, R.I., outdoors, grass
MEN'S SINGLES, ROUND OF 32
#5 Benjamin Bonzi d. William Blumberg, 2-6, 6-3, 6-2.
#6 Andy Murray d. Sam Querrey, 6-2, 6-0.
#7 Jiri Vesely d. Feliciano Lopez, 6-4, 6-2.
#8 James Duckworth d. Liam Broady, 6-2, 4-6, 6-2.
Christopher Eubanks d. Dominik Koepfer, 6-4, 7-5.
Max Purcell d. Adrian Mannarino, 6-3, 1-6, 7-5.
Mitchell Kruger d. Tim van Rijthoven, 7-6(7), 4-6, 6-3.
Quentin Halys d. Alexei Popyrin, 7-6(5), 6-3.

ATP NORDEA OPEN

At Bastad Tennis Stadium, Bastad, Sweden, outdoors, Red clay
MEN'S SINGLES, ROUND OF 32
Hugo Gaston d. #6 Nikoloz Basilashvili, 7-6(6), 3-0, retired.
Marc-Andrea Huesler d. #7 Holger Rune, 6-3, 6-4.
#8 Sebastian Baez d. Fabio Fognini, 6-3, 6-4.
Alejandro Davidovich Fokina d. Joao Sousa, 6-4, 6-2.
Albert Ramos-Vinolas d. Tomas Martin Etcheverry, 6-3, 6-3.
Federico Coria d. Federico Delbonis, 0-6, 6-4, 6-4.
Aslan Karatsev d. Lorenzo Sonego, 6-0, 2-6, 6-4.
Francisco Cerundolo d. Pedro Sousa, 6-4, 6-3.
Dominic Thiem d. Emil Ruusuvuori, 3-6, 6-1, 7-6(5).

WTA HUNGARIAN GRAND PRIX

At Europe Tennis Center, Budapest, Hungary, outdoors, Red clay
WOMEN'S SINGLES, ROUND OF 32
#2 Martina Trevisan d. Natalia Szabanin, 2-6, 6-2, 6-0.
#3 Yulia Putintseva d. Anna-Karolina Schmiedlova, 6-4, 6-1.
#9 Anna Bondar d. Jesika Maleckova, 6-4, 6-4.
Aleksandra Krunic d. Laura Siegemund, 6-3, 6-4.
Elisabetta Cocciaretto d. Reka Luca Jani, 7-6(7), 6-2.
Despina Papamichail d. Dalma Galfi, 7-6(4), 6-3.
Laura Pigossi d. Rebecca Peterson, 7-5, 6-3.
Ana Bogdan d. Panna Udvardy, 6-2, 5-7, 6-0.

WTA LADIES OPEN LAUSANNE

At Stade-Lausanne Tennis Club, Lausanne, Switzerland, outdoors, Red clay
WOMEN'S SINGLES, ROUND OF 32
Simona Waltert d. #1 Danielle Collins, 6-7(5), 6-3, 7-6(6).
#2 Belinda Bencic d. Diane Parry, 3-6, 6-3, 6-1.
#3 Irina-Camelia Begu d. Tamara Korpatsch, 6-4, 6-2.
Petra Martic d. #5 Nuria Parrizas Diaz, 6-2, 6-2.
#6 Caroline Garcia d. Jasmine Paolini, 6-3, 6-3.
Eva Lys d. #8 Varvara Gracheva, 7-5, 6-4.
Erika Andreeva d. Anna Blinkova, 6-1, 6-2.
Olga Danilovic d. Misaki Doi, 6-3, 6-3.
Cristina Bucsa d. Kristina Mladenovic, 6-4, 7-6(3).

GOLF

150TH OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP

St. Andrews, Old Course, Fife, Scotland

HOLE	PAR	YDS	HOLE	PAR	YDS
1	4	375	10	4	386
2	4	452	11	3	174
3	4	398	12	4	348
4	4	480	13	4	465
5	5	570	14	5	614
6	4	414	15	4	455
7	4	371	16	4	418
8	3	174	17	4	495
9	4	352	18	4	356
Out	**36**	**3586**	**In**	**36**	**3771**
			Tot	**72**	**7297**

HISTORIC COURSES

96: Scotland. **51:** England. **2:** No. Ireland.
COURSES
29, St Andrews: 1873, 1876, 1879, 1882, 1885, 1888, 1891, 1895, 1900, 1905, 1910, 1921, 1927, 1933, 1939, 1946, 1955, 1957, 1960, 1964, 1970, 1978, 1984, 1990, 1995, 2000, 2005, 2010, 2015, 2022
24, Prestwick: 1860, 1861, 1862, 1863, 1864, 1865, 1866, 1867, 1868, 1869, 1870, 1872, 1875, 1878, 1881, 1884, 1887, 1890, 1893, 1898, 1903, 1908, 1914, 1925.
16, Muirfield: 1892, 1896, 1901, 1906, 1912, 1929, 1935, 1948, 1959, 1966, 1972, 1980, 1987, 1992, 2002, 2013
15, Royal St George's: 1894, 1899, 1904, 1911, 1922, 1928, 1934, 1938, 1949, 1981, 1985, 1993, 2003, 2011, 2021
12, Royal Liverpool: 1897, 1902, 1907, 1913, 1924, 1930, 1936, 1947, 1956, 1967, 2006, 2014, 2023
11, Royal Lytham & St Annes: 1926, 1952, 1958, 1963, 1969, 1974, 1979, 1988, 1996, 2001, 2012
10, Royal Birkdale: 1954, 1961, 1965, 1971, 1976, 1983, 1991, 1998, 2008, 2017
9, Royal Troon: 1923, 1950, 1962, 1973, 1982, 1989, 1997, 2004, 2016, 2024.
8, Carnoustie: 1931, 1937, 1953, 1968, 1975, 1999, 2007, 2018.
6, Musselburgh: 1874, 1877, 1880, 1883, 1886, 1889.
4, Turnberry: 1977, 1986, 1994, 2009.
2, Royal Portrush: 1951, 2019, 2025.
2, Royal Cinque Ports: 1909, 1920.
1, Prince's: 1932.

SCORING AVERAGE

PGA TOUR	RD	AVG
1. Rory McIlroy	46	68.635
2. Matt Fitzpatrick	57	68.966
3. Scottie Scheffler	81	69.194
4. Cameron Smith	54	69.251
5. Justin Thomas	63	69.307
6. Shane Lowry	49	69.358
7. Xander Schauffele	63	69.414
8. Patrick Cantlay	55	69.508
9. Sam Burns	68	69.600
10. Tommy Fleetwood	57	69.692
11. Collin Morikawa	54	69.733
12. Jon Rahm	58	69.793
13. Will Zalatoris	67	69.804
14. Keith Mitchell	77	69.840
15. Joaquin Niemann	68	69.848
16. Russell Henley	63	69.853
17. Hideki Matsuyama	59	69.868
18. Denny McCarthy	90	69.876
19. Max Homa	71	69.941
20. Billy Horschel	60	69.943
20. Seamus Power	77	69.943
22. Corey Conners	74	69.974
23. Cameron Young	65	70.012
24. Talor Gooch	74	70.013
24. Sungjae Im	71	70.013
26. Mito Pereira	80	70.045
27. Keegan Bradley	75	70.063
28. Aaron Wise	66	70.069
29. Matt Kuchar	63	70.101
30. Tony Finau	65	70.118
31. Mark Hubbard	64	70.157
32. Chris Kirk	74	70.181
33. Tyrrell Hatton	56	70.195
34. Maverick McNealy	79	70.202
35. Davis Riley	82	70.210
36. Jordan Spieth	63	70.230
37. Harold Varner III	64	70.243
38. Christiaan Bezuidenhout	71	70.254
39. Webb Simpson	53	70.257
40. Viktor Hovland	61	70.284
41. Gary Woodland	61	70.288
42. Troy Merritt	77	70.290
43. Mackenzie Hughes	71	70.293
44. Brian Harman	74	70.298
45. Justin Rose	55	70.319
46. Marc Leishman	69	70.324
47. Luke List	73	70.350
48. Daniel Berger	41	70.359
49. Adam Long	83	70.365
50. Alex Noren	64	70.380

EUROPEAN DP TOUR	RD	AVG
1. Shaun Norris	24	69.46
2. Ryan Fox	52	69.73
3. Hennie Du Plessis	36	69.75
4. Rory McIlory	22	69.82
5. Oliver Bekker	52	69.83
6. Jordan Smith	54	69.87
7. Will Zalatoris	14	70.00
8. Thriston Lawrence	64	70.03
9. Hurly Long	57	70.09
10. Pablo Larrazabal	42	70.10
11. Adrian Meronk	49	70.10
12. Louis De Jager	22	70.32
13. Shane Lowry	24	70.33
14. Babrizio Zanotti	46	70.37
15. Romain Langasque	54	70.39
16. Haotong Li	40	70.40
17. Lukas Nemecz	56	70.48
18. Matt Fitzpatrick	18	70.50
19. Dan Burmester	42	70.52
20. Justin Harding	40	70.53
21. Matthieu Pavon	48	70.54
22. Julien Brun	56	70.57
23. CANTER, Laurie	40	70.58
24. George Coetzee	43	70.58
25. Adri Arnasu	47	70.60
26. Bernd Wiesberger	40	70.63
27. Sam Horsfield	20	70.65
28. Niall Kearney	27	70.67
29. Thomas Pieters	34	70.68
30. Yannik Paul	60	70.68
31. Angel Hidalgo	26	70.69
32. Adrien Saddier	14	70.71
33. Nik Nørgaard Moller	56	70.73
34. Mikko Korhonen	50	70.74
35. Richie Ramsay	43	70.74
36. Al Garcia-Heredia	44	70.75
37. Thomas Detry	46	70.76
38. Johannes Veerman	42	70.76
39. Jorge Campillo	60	70.77
40. Edoardo Molinari	58	70.78
41. David Law	51	70.78
42. Maximillan Kieffer	44	70.80
43. Scott Jamieson	44	70.80
44. Adrian Otaegui	52	70.81
45. Jacques Kruyswijk	36	70.83
46. Seamus Power	18	70.83
47. Marcus Armitages	52	70.85
48. Ashun Wu	58	70.86
49. Ross Fisher	48	70.92
50. Marcus Helligkilde	40	70.92

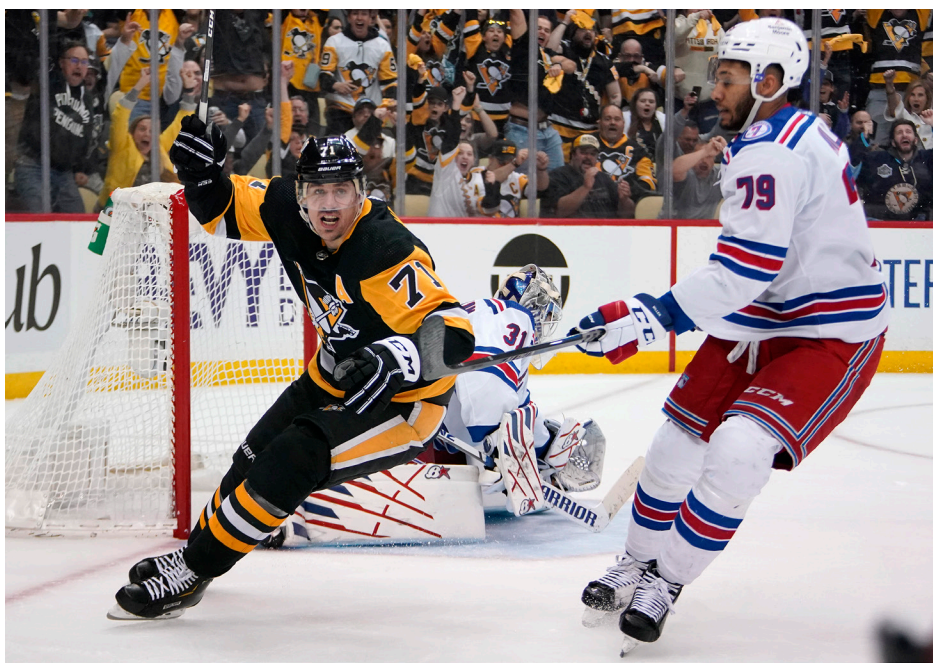
LPGA TOUR	RD	AVG
1. Minjee Lee	40	69.025
2. Lexi Thompson	35	69.600
4. Brooke M. Henderson	43	69.791
4. Atthaya Thitikul	51	69.843
5. Jin Young Ko	35	69.943
6. Hye-Jin Choi	46	70.000
6. Hyo Joo Kim	30	70.000
8. Lydia Ko	47	70.021
9. Xiyu Lin	47	70.043
10. Celine Boutier	52	70.077
11. Hannah Green	40	70.150
12. Nelly Korda	23	70.174
13. Danielle Kang	34	70.206
14. Japan Nasa Hataoka	52	70.250
15. Nanna Koerstz Madsen	35	70.257
16. Madelene Sagstrom	49	70.449
17. Chella Cho	43	70.558
18. Patty Tavatanakit	37	70.568
19. Amy Yang	36	70.583
20. Megan Khang	43	70.605

ODDS

MLB — **WEDNESDAY**

FAVORITE	LINE	UNDERDOG	LINE
NATIONAL LEAGUE			
at Atlanta	-146	NY Mets	+124
at San Fran.	-220	Arizona	+184
at Miami	-196	Pittsburgh	+164
LA Dodgers	-148	at St. Louis	+126
San Diego	-158	at Colorado	+134
AMERICAN LEAGUE			
at Kansas City	-126	Detroit	+108
Chi White Sox	-116	at Cleveland	-102
at Tampa Bay	-166	Boston	+140
at Texas	-196	Oakland	+164
at LA Angels	-132	Houston	+113
INTERLEAGUE			
at Washington	-111	Seattle (G1)	+103
at Washington	off	Seattle (G2)	off
at Minnesota	-142	Milwaukee	+120
at NY Yankees	-330	Cincinnati	+265
at Toronto	off	Philadelphia	off
at Chi Cubs	off	Baltimore	off

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Evgeni Malkin reportedly has decided to test out the free agency market rather than re-sign with the Penguins. Malkin, 36, has played his entire 16-year career with the Penguins. **AP FILE**

NHL

Big names ready to make next move

Malkin among elite players to be available in free agency

By Stephen Whyno
Associated Press

This NHL free agent class already had the most high-end talent in several years. Then Evgeni Malkin made it known he's testing the market.

Join the club.

The longtime Penguins cornerstone, Stanley Cup champions Nazem Kadri and Darcy Kuemper of the Avalanche, Flames MVP candidate Johnny Gaudreau and Stars defenseman John Klingberg headline one of the deepest groups of free agents in recent history. Even though the salary cap is only going up $1 million per team, record revenues have made for the first increase since 2019, setting the stage for significant money to flow when the market opens Wednesday.

"There is some money to be spent out there," Hurricanes GM Don Waddell said. "I think there were 21 teams that were cap teams last year and another five or six that were real close. There's some money to be spent, and players are going to make a lot of money."

Probably no one more than Gaudreau, who set career highs with 40 goals, 75 assists and 115 points in leading the Flames to the Pacific Division title. His next deal will almost certainly shatter the richest contract signed last year: $63 million to Dougie Hamilton from the Devils.

Gaudreau, a South Jersey native who grew up rooting for the Flyers, has unsurprisingly been linked to the Flyers and also the Islanders, though the Flames have put on a full-court press to keep the dynamic winger who turns 29 in August.

The got better when Malkin on Monday signaled his intent to the Penguins to see what other options he might have. The 36-year-old was a point-a-game player last season even after returning from knee surgery.

Teams looking for a younger option in the middle have Kadri, who like Gaudreau had a career year and extended that production deep into the playoffs. Kadri, who will be 32 by opening night, was one of the Avalanche's best players on their Cup run with 15 points in 16 games sandwiched around a broken right thumb he played through in the final.

Teammate Andre Burakovsky, longtime Flyers captain-turned-Panthers forward Claude Giroux, Rangers center Ryan Strome and Blues winger David Perron are also among the many intriguing options up front.

"It's going to be interesting," Waddell said. "It looks like there's an abundance of forwards and not as many defensemen."

The best in that shallow pool is Klingberg, highly coveted as a right-shot defenseman who can run the power play. Think Hamilton money for the soon-to-be 30-year-old Swede, who put up 47 points last season.

Waddell joked he and the Hurricanes aren't looking for a goaltender for the first time in many years, but there's no shortage of teams that are. Kuemper, who backstopped the Avs to the Cup, is available after they acquired Alexandar Georgiev from the Rangers, and so is Jack Campbell with the Maple Leafs moving on to Matt Murray, who they got from the Senators.

After inconsistency in net cost them in the playoffs, the Oilers are expected to be big players in the goalie market. So will the Capitals after GM Brian MacLellan "jumped into the fire" by trading Vitek Vanecek to the Devils and doubled down on remaking his goaltending by not tendering a qualifying offer to Ilya Samsonov.

The financial precedent has been set high for a lot of free agents after the Avs re-signed Valeri Nichushkin to an eight-year, $49 million deal Monday. Nichushkin got that after nine goals and six assists in the playoffs, so his $6.125 million annual cap hit could be the floor for Lightning postseason star Ondrej Palat, unless he takes a hometown discount to try to help the team win the Cup for a third time since their run of success began in 2020.

With or without Palat and stable defenseman Jan Rutta, the Lightning could again shop in the bargain aisle as they did last year by adding veterans Corey Perry, Pierre-Edouard Bellemare and Zach Bogosian, who were key pieces of a third consecutive run to the final.

"You start with, what holes do I need to fill and who are the best options to fill those holes, considering the cap space I have and the cap space I'm going to need to sign those players," Lightning GM Julien BriseBois said.

Filling out the roster with depth players could take some time, not just for the Lightning but around the league. Many executives still expect the usual free agent frenzy beginning at noon Wednesday, though that may not be the only time for the vast majority of signings like most years.

"There's always going to be the rush of certain players are going to get signed, but because of the tight cap situation, are there going to be other situations that take place after that time frame?" Stars GM Jim Nill said. "This might be a year where it drags on a little bit longer."

IN BRIEF

NBA changes take foul, keeps play-in

News services

The NBA completed the process of changing the transition take foul rule, ending years of discussion about what to do with the long-maligned tactic.

And, also as expected, the play-in tournament is going to be around for the foreseeable future.

The league's board of governors finalized those two matters Tuesday, approving a plan to award one free throw when teams are disadvantaged by the take foul — as well as removing the "experimental" designation from the play-in element to the postseason.

The take foul — in which the defender doesn't make a play on the ball — is what the league classifies as one that occurs either "during a transition scoring opportunity or immediately following a change of possession and before the offensive team had the opportunity to advance the ball." The exception is in the final 2 minutes of the fourth quarter or overtime.

The new penalty for such a foul is one free throw, which may be attempted by any player on the offended team in the game at the time the foul was committed, and continued possession.

■ Pelicans second-round pick E.J. Liddell torn the ACL in his right knee during Monday's summer league contest and will be out indefinitely.

Cycling: Magnus Cort Nielsen won a two-man sprint in a photo-finish to claim the 10th stage of the Tour de France at the end of a hilly trek in the Alps. It was Cort Nielsen's second career Tour stage win. The Danish rider edged Nick Schultz to the line by a few inches at the end of the long and exhausting climb to the Megeve ski resort. Two-time defending champ Tadej Pogačar kept the yellow jersey.

NFL: The U.S. House Committee on Oversight and Reform has accepted an offer for Commanders owner Dan Snyder to testify virtually July 28. Snyder didn't appear when first invited along with NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell, who testified virtually June 22, with prior obligations and international travel given among the reasons. His camp has until Wednesday at noon to confirm Snyder will appear before the committee, which launched an investigation into the team's workplace culture last year.

NHL: Three-time All-Star defenseman Duncan Keith announced his retirement after 17 seasons, during which he twice won the Norris Trophy once and won the Stanley Cup three times with the Blackhawks. Keith, 38, was with the Blackhawks for all but his final season. He was the Conn Smythe Trophy winner in the 2015 playoffs.

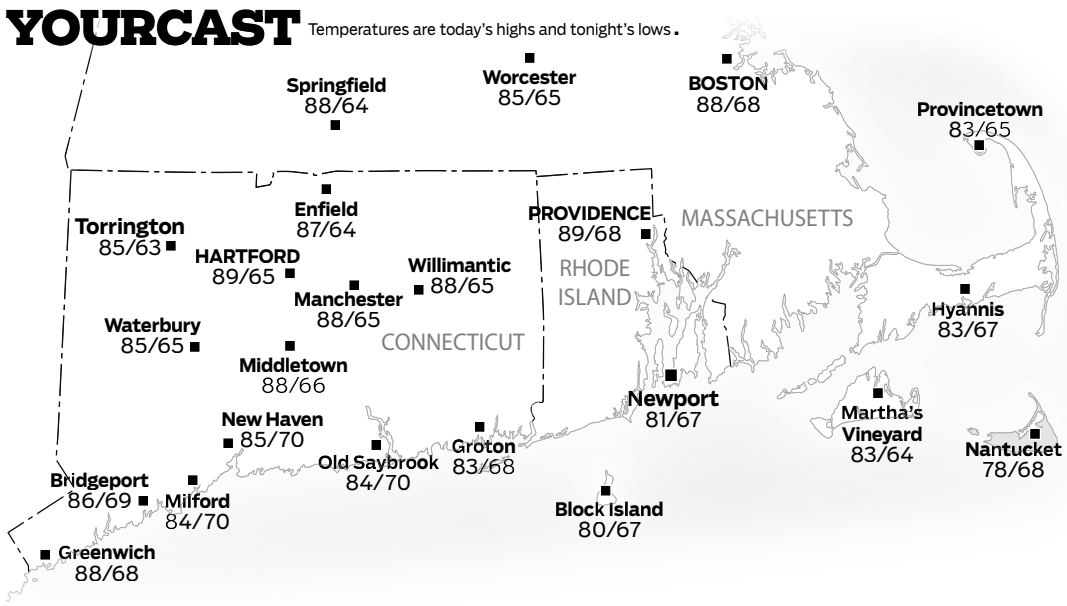
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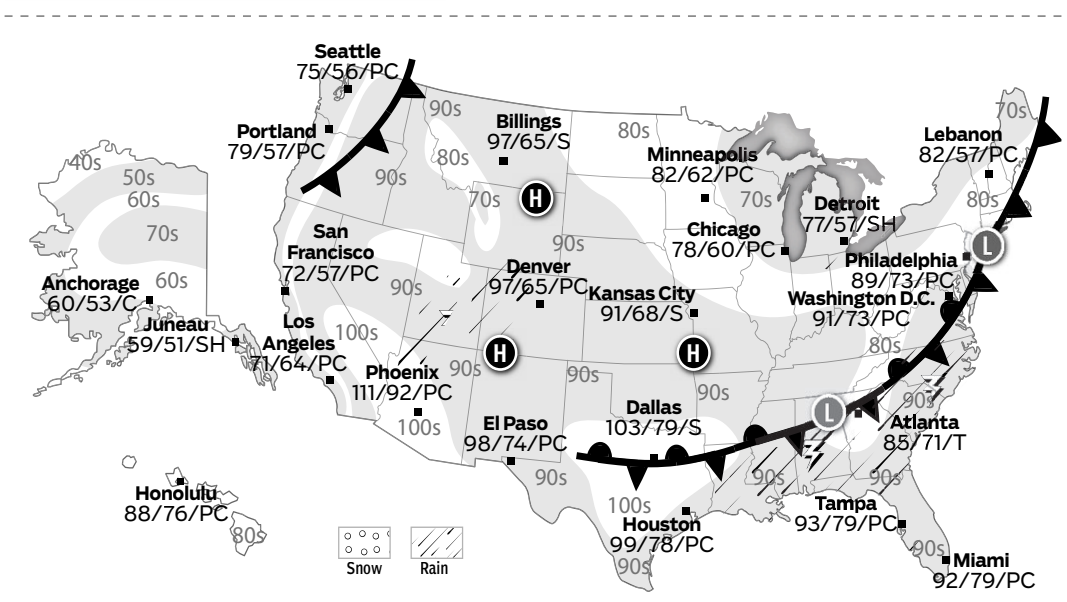
WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
SUNRISE NOON SUNSET	SUNRISE NOON SUNSET	SUNRISE NOON SUNSET	SUNRISE NOON SUNSET	SUNRISE NOON SUNSET
Mostly sunny and very warm. Northwest wind at 5 to 10 mph.	Partly sunny and warm, chance for a few showers and thunderstorms.	Sunshine, some fair-weather clouds, seasonable.	Partly sunny and very warm.	Partly sunny and very warm. More humid in the afternoon.
HIGH 89° LOW 65°	HIGH 86° LOW 63°	HIGH 86° LOW 62°	HIGH 88° LOW 66°	HIGH 89° LOW 68°

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YOURCAST

Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.





OUTLOOK

A weak front over the region on Wednesday will cause a few fair-weather clouds, but overall, the sky should average mostly sunny. It will be a very warm and moderately humid day with highs mainly in the 80s to near 90 degrees and dew points will range from the upper 50s to the mid-60s. A weak area of low pressure along the coast on Thursday will result in a partly sunny sky along with the chance for a few scattered showers and thunderstorms, although the majority of the day should be dry. High temperatures should remain in the 80s to near 90 Thursday to Sunday.

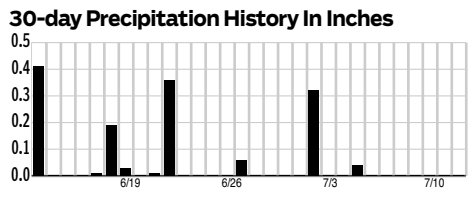
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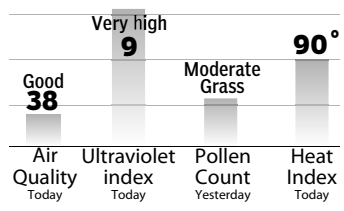
Precipitation In Inches	Total	Normal
Yesterday (by 7 p.m.)	0.00	0.13
Month to date	0.36	1.48
Total this year	20.53	23.65

Precipitation, temperature at Windsor Locks

30-day Precipitation History In Inches



Air Quality Forecast For Today



	Today	Tomorrow
Sunrise	5:27 a.m.	5:28 a.m.
Sunset	8:26 p.m.	8:25 p.m.
Moonrise	8:59 p.m.	9:46 p.m.
Moonset	4:47 a.m.	6:03 a.m.

Moon Phase

Full	Last	New	First
July 13	July 20	July 28	Aug 5

Tides	High	Low	Temp.
N.L. State Pier	9:26 a.m. 9:50 p.m.	3:51 a.m. 3:49 p.m.	72°
Saybrook Jetty	10:37 a.m. 11:01 p.m.	4:44 a.m. 4:42 p.m.	73°
Connecticut River at Portland	12:50 a.m. 1:20 p.m.	8:30 a.m. 8:28 p.m.	
Madison	11:08 a.m. 11:24 p.m.	4:55 a.m. 5:06 p.m.	74°
New Haven	11:28 a.m. 11:44 p.m.	5:19 a.m. 5:30 p.m.	76°
Stamford	11:42 a.m. 11:48 p.m.	5:34 a.m. 5:44 p.m.	75°

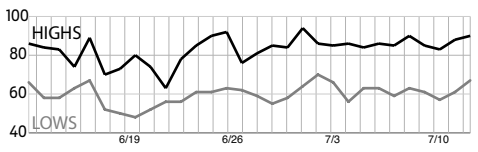
River Stage at Hartford: 2.53 feet at 4:30 p.m.

Boating	L.I. Sound W	L.I. Sound E	B. I. Sound
Weather	MSunny	PCloudy	Fog
Wind	NW/SW, 5	SW, 5-10	SW, 5-10
Seas	1 ft.	1 ft.	2-4 ft.

Temperature	High	Low
Tuesday	90 at 12:50 p.m	67 at 4:58 a.m
Normal for date	85	64
Record for date	97 in 1966	48 in 2002
A year ago	74	64
Range this year	94	-2

Cooling Degree Days	Season	Normal	Last Season
For Jan 1 - July 12	354	304	353

30-day Temperature History



Atmosphere	High	Low
Barometer	29.83 at 12 a.m.	29.64 at 5 p.m.
Dew point	68° at 4 p.m.	58° at 12 a.m.

AROUND THE WORLD

Today's forecast in cities not included in the maps above:

NEW ENGLAND			Baltimore	89	68 PC	Nashville	87	67 PC	San Juan	88	77 PC
Bangor	82	61 PC	Bismarck	86	59 S	New Orleans	86	76 T	Tucson	105	81 PC
Burlington	79	57 PC	Boise	97	66 PC	New York	90	73 S	**WORLD**		
Caribou	79	55 PC	Buffalo	75	59 PC	Okla. City	95	69 S	Amsterdam	80	55 PC
Concord	86	60 PC	Charleston	92	77 PC	Omaha	92	69 S	Athens	87	72 PC
Montpelier	76	52 PC	Cincinnati	85	65 PC	Orlando	96	77 PC	Bangkok	84	76 SH
Mt. Wash.	53	43 PC	Cleveland	75	58 SH	Pittsburgh	84	60 SH	Barbados	83	76 PC
Portland	84	61 PC	Indianapolis	84	63 PC	Raleigh	93	71 T	Beijing	95	76 PC
Woods Hole	83	67 S	Jacksonville	93	74 PC	St. Louis	91	72 PC	Beirut	84	75 S
NATION			Las Vegas	109	88 PC	Salt Lake City	102	77 PC	Berlin	85	57 PC
Albany	83	61 S	Miami Beach	88	81 PC	San Antonio	104	80 PC	Bermuda	83	77 SH
Albuquerque	90	67 PC	Milwaukee	70	59 PC	San Diego	72	66 PC	Budapest	86	68 S
Atlantic City	88	69 PC							Buenos Aires	60	49 PC
									Cairo	97	71 S
									Cancun	90	80 PC
									Dubai	104	91 S
									Dublin	72	52 PC
									Edinburgh	68	52 PC
									Helsinki	71	60 SH
									Hong Kong	87	77 PC
									Istanbul	83	66 S
									Jerusalem	81	63 S
									Johannesburg	66	42 S
									Kingston	94	74 S
									Lisbon	91	69 PC
									London	85	61 PC
									Madrid	104	77 PC
									Mexico City	75	55 SH
									Milan	93	72 PC
									Montreal	76	62 S
									Moscow	78	58 PC
									Nassau	86	81 PC
									New Delhi	95	82 SH
									Paris	97	68 PC
									Prague	84	63 PC
									Rio de Janeiro	74	69 SH
									Rome	89	68 S
									Seoul	83	71 SH
									Singapore	88	78 SH
									Stockholm	81	57 PC
									Sydney	58	45 SH
									Tel Aviv	89	74 S
									Tokyo	81	71 SH
									Toronto	73	63 PC
									Vancouver	71	56 PC
									Warsaw	81	64 PC

KEY: **S** Sunny, **C** Cloudy, **PC** Partly Cloudy, **R** Rain, **SH** Showers, **SN** Snow, **SF** Snow Flurries, **T** T-storms

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NFL

Mayfield: 'No animosity' toward Browns, awaits fresh start with Panthers

Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Baker Mayfield said he was "shocked" to learn that he was not included in the Cleveland Browns' future plans earlier this offseason.

But the No. 1 overall NFL draft pick in 2018 has had a few months now to digest the Browns' decision to replace him with Deshaun Watson and is eager to take advantage of a fresh start with his new team, the Carolina Panthers.

"Shocked, I would say, is pretty much the only way to describe it," Mayfield said Tuesday. "But you roll with the punches and you've got to move forward. This is a test of adversity and how I'm going to handle it and how I can move forward and be the best teammate possible."

Mayfield said he has no animosity toward the Browns, although he admits Carolina's home opener against Cleveland on Sept. 11 will be a "special" game.

Often viewed as fiery and outspoken, Mayfield was humble and introspective in his first interview since the Browns dealt him to Carolina for a 2024 conditional fifth-round draft pick.

To help facilitate the deal, Mayfield agreed to take a $3.5 million pay cut. He'll still make a combined $15.5 million from the Browns and Panthers.

In taking the pay cut, Mayfield is essentially betting on himself with free agency lingering after this upcoming season.

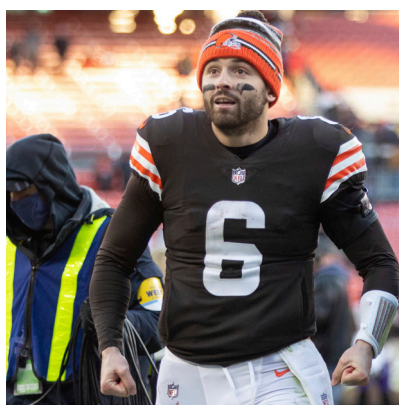
But first he has to win the starting job.

Mayfield joins Sam Darnold in the quarterback room, giving the Panthers the top two QBs from the '18 draft — but no clear starter heading into training camp.

Panthers general manager Scott Fitterer called it an "open competition" and predicts both will get equal reps in practice.

"The reason we have Baker here is to make the whole group better as a whole," Fitterer said. "Our philosophy is that we want competition, not just in the quarterback room but at every position."

But past success suggests Mayfield has a better chance of winning the job. He's 29-30 as an NFL starter, while Darnold is 17-32. Mayfield has thrown 92 touchdown passes and 56 interceptions compared to Darnold's 54 TD passes and 52 INTs.



Browns quarterback Baker Mayfield runs onto the field before a Dec. 12, 2021, game in Cleveland.
MATT DURISKO/AP

Mayfield has also shown he can lead a team to the playoffs, helping the Browns go 11-5 in 2020.

Mayfield avoided questions on whether he expects to be the team's starter, only saying he wants to be the best quarterback he can be and help the Panthers win games regardless of his role. He said he likes and respects Darnold, who called him shortly after the trade to Carolina was announced.

He doesn't want a quarterback controversy disrupting the team.

"If there is drama within that room it's going to permeate through the building and that's not going to be the case," Mayfield said. "We're not going to let that happen."

HOCKEY

Women's professional league expands into Montreal

Associated Press

Montreal is finally getting its long-promised women's pro hockey franchise, though the Premier Hockey Federation put the brakes on adding a second expansion team entering its eighth season, the league announced Tuesday.

In unveiling the U.S.-based, privately backed league's seventh franchise and second in Canada, PHF Commissioner Reagan Carey said it was in the sport's best interest to take a slower approach toward growth to ensure long-term stability.

"Sometimes, there's a little energy and enthusiasm and urgency to add teams. But at the same time, you have to do it in a really thoughtful way and make sure that we're doing everything at the right time with the right people moving forward," Carey told Associated Press.

"There's been a lot of evaluating, assessing and a lot conversations in just trying to get a better understanding of what the league needs at the immediate moment, and what we need long term for a sustainable future," she added. "And Montreal has been at the top of that since Day 1."

The yet-to-be-named Montreal franchise has been in the works for some 18 months, with its launch already delayed a year by the COVID-19 pandemic. PHF officials in January had also committed to expanding into a U.S. location, without disclosing where.

Hired in April, Carey said she needed to better familiarize herself with the PHF before adding a second expansion team this year. As for the possibility of expanding next year, the former USA Hockey executive said: "I have no reservations about committing to expansion in Season 9."

Women's hockey returns to Montreal for the first time since Les Canadiennes spent 12 years playing in the nation's second-largest city before the Canadian Women's Hockey League folded after the 2019 season.

The team will be based at Centre 21.02, a two-rink high performance center established and run by former Canadian national women's team coach Daniele Sauvageau, while also playing home games in various communities across Quebec to raise the team's profile.

The Montreal franchise will be the league's fourth owned by BTM Partners, and have a local influence among its executive. French cable TV broadcaster Kevin Raphael will serve as team president with Emmanuel Anderson named vice president. Raphael and Anderson have worked on many projects together, including hosting a hockey fundraiser to support children's cancer foundations.

LOCAL BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEGION

MONDAY'S LATE RESULTS

Zone 3
ELLINGTON 14, NORTHEAST 9
SOUTH WINDSOR 6, WINDSOR LOCKS/WINDSOR 5
MIDDLETOWN 12, EHM 0
Zone 6
WATERFORD 3, WILLIMANTIC 2
Note: Waterford, which had just 1hit, scored the winning run on 2infield errors and a bases loaded walk. AJ Rooks started for Willimantic and went 6.2innings with 8strikeouts, 5walks before reaching the pitch limit. Parker Woodmansee and Jacob Wojtkowiak each had 2hits.

TUESDAY'S RESULTS

Zone 1
WEST HARTFORD AT BRISTOL, LATE
TORRINGTON AT MERIDEN, LATE
Zone 2
MADISON AT BRANFORD, LATE
Zone 3
MIDDLETOWN AT TRI-COUNTY, LATE
Zone 6
WILLIMANTIC AT TRI-TOWN, LATE

WEDNESDAY'S SCHEDULE

Zone **1:** Simsbury at Bristol, 5:30p.m.; West Hartford at Meriden, 6:30p.m.
Zone **2:** Branford at Madison, 5:45p.m.
Zone **3:** Glastonbury vs. Middletown (at UConn), 3:30p.m.; RCP Post at EHM, 5:45p.m.; Windsor Locks/Windsor at Enfield, 5:45p.m.; EHM at Glastonbury, 6:30p.m.; South Windsor vs. Ellington (at UConn), 6:30p.m.

CONNECTICUT TWILIGHT LEAGUE

THURSDAY'S SCHEDULE

Black Sox at Orioles, 5:45p.m.
Rock Cats at Rockies, 6p.m.

GREATER HARTFORD TWILIGHT LEAGUE

MONDAY'S LATE RESULTS

JETS 4-3, CARDINALS 1-2
EXPOS 4, GREENERS 3

TUESDAY'S RESULTS

PEOPLE'S AT EXPOS, PPD.
CARDINALS AT COLTS, LATE

WEDNESDAY'S SCHEDULE

Greeners at Colts, 8p.m.

PETE KOKINIS BASEBALL LEAGUE

MONDAY'S LATE RESULTS

16u
STAFFORD ROYALS 13, AHERN WHALEN-MIDDLETOWN 0
Note: Andrew Utermack tossed a 1-hit shutout with 7strikeouts. Coke Hasel had 2triples, Hayden Iacobucci had 2 hits and Angelo Vella had a hit, 2RBI for Stafford.
COPPERHEADS-TORRINGTON 13, NOR'EASTERS-NEWINGTON 3
14u
NEWINGTON RAIDERS 18, AHERN WHALEN-MIDDLETOWN 6
Note: Andrew Alemany picked up the winning, allowing 6tuns on 5hits with 4strikeouts over 4.2innings. Steven Kiniry Jr., Anderson Claffey, Victor Rodriguez, Ellis Peterson and Jack Hanrahan all had multiple hits for Newington.
FARMINGTON 11, CT BULLDOGS-WETHERSFIELD 2
Note: Arie DeLuca went 6innings on the mound for the win and had a triple, double, 5RBI at the plate. Ty Nogiec had 2hits, 4runs scored for Farmington.

TUESDAY'S RESULTS

19u
ROCKY HILL 9, PLAINVILLE DEVILS 3
COPPERHEADS-TORRINGTON 4, FARMINGTON 0

WEDNESDAY'S SCHEDULE

19u: Farmington at Rocky Hill, 5:45p.m.; Ahern Whalen-Middletown at New Britain Parks and Rec, 7p.m.
16u: West Hartford Thunder at Stafford Royals, 5:45p.m.; Nor'Easters-Newington at Ahern Whalen-Middletown, 6p.m.
14u: Farmington at Ahern Whalen-Middletown, 6:30p.m.

EASTERN LEAGUE

Standings

Northeast	W	L	PCT	GB
Somerset	50	31	.617	—
Hartford	49	32	.605	1
Portland	40	41	.494	10
New Hampshire	36	45	.444	14
Reading	36	45	.444	14
Binghamton	31	50	.383	19
Southwest	**W**	**L**	**PCT**	**GB**
Erie	46	34	.575	—
Akron	44	36	.550	2
Richmond	44	37	.543	2.5
Altoona	41	40	.506	5.5
Bowie	34	47	.420	12.5
Harrisburg	34	47	.420	12.5

TUESDAY'S RESULTS

SOMERSET AT PORTLAND, LATE
RICHMOND AT ALTOONA, LATE
BINGHAMTON AT ERIE, LATE
AKRON AT BOWIE, LATE
HARRISBURG AT HARTFORD, LATE
NEW HAMPSHIRE AT READING, LATE

WEDNESDAY'S SCHEDULE

Akron at Bowie, noon
Richmond at Altoona, noon
Somerset at Portland, 6p.m.
Binghamton at Erie, 6p.m.
Harrisburg at Hartford, 7p.m.
New Hampshire at Reading, 7p.m.

WNBA

Standings

Eastern	W	L	PCT	GB
Chicago	16	6	.727	—
Connecticut	14	8	.636	2
Washington	14	10	.583	3
Atlanta	10	12	.455	6
New York	9	13	.409	7
Indiana	5	19	.208	12
Western	**W**	**L**	**PCT**	**GB**
Las Vegas	15	7	.682	—
Seattle	16	8	.667	—
Los Angeles	10	12	.455	5
Dallas	10	13	.435	5.5
Phoenix	10	14	.417	6
Minnesota	8	15	.348	7.5

TUESDAY'S RESULTS

SEATTLE 83, DALLAS 74
LAS VEGAS AT NEW YORK, LATE
ATLANTA AT CHICAGO, LATE
PHOENIX AT MINNESOTA, LATE
WASHINGTON AT LOS ANGELES, LATE

WEDNESDAY'S SCHEDULE

Connecticut at Indiana, noon